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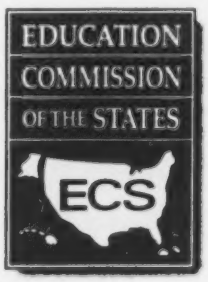

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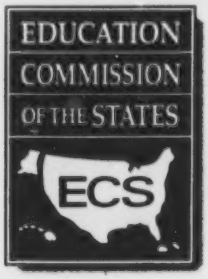

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INTRODUCTION

Most of the items in this Selected State Policies report cover the preK-12 level. They have been collected from Lexis-Nexis, legislative staff, state newsletters, school board/teacher associations and state Web sites. ECS staff have made every attempt to validate all information.

Essentially, the information in this report is raw data — rapidly processed to be released in printed form at the earliest possible date. Editing has been kept to a minimum; many items appear in a form similar to the one in which they were received. Bill descriptions may have been modified since introduction.

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STATE	STATUS	SUMMARY
Access		
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-715]; Relates to the governance of the public universities in Illinois; provides that at each regular and special meeting of the university's governing board that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the university shall be afforded time to make comments to or ask questions of the board. Title: **H.B. 2580 Open Meetings for Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Proposed Mar-00	Adds a staff member to the board of directors for community colleges; requires that the staff member must be classified or mid-management employee who does not hold faculty rank. Title: **S.B. 259 Community College Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Accountability		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	States the State Board of Education shall administer the standardized norm-referenced achievement test two times during each academic year to the random statewide representative sample of pupils selected by the technical advisory committee; states the State Board of Education shall administer a parent quality survey two times each academic year; states each school district or charter school in this state is eligible to revise its budget, as defined. Title: **S.B. 1139 Statewide Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that the governor may appoint study commissions as he deems appropriate to study education questions, issue findings and make recommendations to the Education Coordinating Council. This provision will go into effect upon signature to allow the current Education Reform Commission to continue. Creates Education Coordinating Council (ECC) and assigns 15 duties, some of which include exercising oversight of accountability systems in other departments and coordinating the activities of state, regional and local cooperative public education agencies, offices or councils. Also creates Office of Education Accountability (OEA) to establish accountability policies and standards for the state and establish the "official" report card. The governor and the OEA will give

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		rewards to successful schools. The State Board of Education is given the task of mandating interventions for failing schools, including appointing special masters, mandating school improvement teams, removing school personnel, allowing for a state charter school, mandating the complete reconstitution of the school and hiring all new staff, and mandating that parents have the option to relocate to another public school in the district. The OEA develops and both the council and the State Board of Education adopt a definition for which students are performing "below grade level" and the definition of "dropout." It is charged with setting the pass score for the CRCT and end of course tests. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Education Oversight Committee and Office of Education Accountability** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee to advise and monitor the Office of Education Accountability. Title: **S.B. 280 Oversight** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Codifies rules approved by legislative oversight commission on accountability for higher education. Title: **S.B. 520 Accountability for Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Accountability – Reporting		
CO	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the Department of Education to develop a comprehensive data collection and reporting system to enable the evaluation of every public school in the state; assists in performance decisions at all levels of school administration. Includes component that requires all 11th graders to take the ACT test. Title: **S.B. 186 Omnibus Bill - Accountability** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires the Secretary of Education to provide a graduate follow-up study each year to the governor and to the General Assembl;y provides the report must show the dropout rate among seniors in Delaware high schools and the enrollment in a postsecondary institution and/or employment status of students who complete the 12th grade. Title: **S.B. 387 State Report on Education Outcomes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the Department of Education to implement the educational accountability system for Hawaii's public schools; requires Department of Education to develop a collaborative process with stakeholders, including representatives of affected bargaining units, parents, administration and students; allows students input into quality of education. Title: **S.B. 2837 State Accountability System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act No. 91-4587]; Amends the School Code to provide that the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall provide funding for school report cards and criminal background investigations; adds the Summer Bridges program to the programs included in the general education block grant. Title: **H.B. 4587 Safety, School Report Cards, Background Checks, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the mailing, instead of publishing, of the school corporation performance report; provides that a child must be at least 5 years of age on July 1 of the 2000-01 school year or any subsequent school year to officially enroll in a kindergarten program offered by a school corporation; provides that an assessment for early entry must consist of more than an intelligence test; states that $25 is the maximum fee a parent must pay to obtain a waiver for early entry. Title: **S.B. 489 Reports to the Public; Kindergarten** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Puts into legislation recommendations of Task Force on Learning Standards and Accountability in Public Education created by 1999 legislation. Creates both norm-referenced and criterion-referenced tests for students in most grades; writing assessments for students in grades 6 and 9; and 10th-grade basic skills competency test. Test results shall identify schools for assistance starting in 2003-04. State board also shall develop school performance report to provide information, including U-PASS scores, for every public school in the state. The task force also shall seek public input on a possible system of rewards and interventions and on discontinuing social promotion. The task force shall present report by November 30, 2000. Title: **H.B. 177 Establishment of U-PASS Assessment Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Accountability – Rewards/Sanctions		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes the Governor's Academic Achievement Program; provides financial rewards to public schools and local boards of education that improve their academic status. Title: **S.B. 122 Financial Rewards for Schools and Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Mar-00	Concerns education reform and makes an appropriation; directs the Department of Education to evaluate the academic performance and safety environment of every public school within the state; specifies the methodology for such evaluation; requires the department to develop a comprehensive data collection and reporting system to enable the evaluation of every public school in the state; assists in performance decisions at all levels of school administration. Includes component that requires all 11th graders to take the ACT test. Title: **S.B. 186 Omnibus Bill - Accountability** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns underperforming schools; provides grants for boards of education with schools in need of improvement; provides for partnerships with public libraries; provides for actions necessary to become accredited; improves literacy and parental involvement; provides merit bonuses for teachers improving schools in need; states no funds from grants shall be used to supplement funding to boards of education of such schools; requires expenditure reports filed with Department of Education. Title: **H.B. 5737 Underperforming Schools - Assistance and Incentives** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires each school district with school designated as performance grade category F to permit transfer of teachers with certain qualifications; provides bonuses for certain teachers; requires education commissioner to adopt rules to define teaching mastery; renames the Division of Human Resource Development within the Department of Education as the Division of Professional Educators; clarifies requirements for performance-based pay policies. Title: **H.B. 63 Florida's Accountability System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to student standards for participation in interscholastic extracurricular student activities; relates to the gradepoint average of students participating in interscholastic extracurricular activities; requires execution of a contract if a student falls below a certain cumulative gradepoint average; amends the bylaws of the governing organization of high school athletics relating to student eligibility. Title: **S.B. 92 Extracurricular Eligibility** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows the local board of education to request from a Regional Education Service Agency (RESA) an instructional care team if a school is consistently underperforming. RESAs must develop a registry of potential instructional care team members. Each RESA shall provide rules and regulations for the purchase of the services of an instructional care team. If the money is appropriated, RESAs may be provided grants for the purpose of facilitating the development and implementation of instructional care teams. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Accountability - Rewards/Sanctions Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Reduces funding for all administrative salaries in schools which are deemed to be failing for three years and which have not implemented interventions. These schools, however, shall continue to earn funds for nurses, secretaries, visiting teachers, school psychologists and accountants. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Administrative Salaries and Performance of Schools** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IL	Signed by governor Jul-99	Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code; requires the Board of Education to establish criteria concerning the factors used in deciding to place an attendance center on remediation; requires the board to establish guidelines that determine the factors for placing an attendance center on probation. Title: **S.B. 1192 Criteria for District Status** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Empowers and directs the State Board of Education to establish and implement an improving and high-performing schools program for identifying and granting financial incentives to low-performing schools that improve and to the highest-performing schools in their classification; establishes criteria; authorizes salary payments to school personnel subject to specific appropriation by the legislature. Title: **S.B. 2488 Incentives for Low-Performing Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes and implements a superior-performing and exemplary schools program for identifying and granting financial incentives to low performing schools that improve and to the highest-performing schools in their classification; provides for school improvement plans for prior ly schools and the appointment of assistance teams; provides professional development and evaluation of principals, teachers and superintendents; raises salaries for teachers and assistant teachers. Title: **H.B. 1134 Financial Incentives for Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the State Department of Education to provide an annual recognition program for schools for providing full inclusion of children with disabilities in all aspects of academic and extracurricular activities. Title: **S.B. 2745 Recognition for Full Inclusion** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Vetoed Mar-00	Relates to interventions for school improvements; changes the distribution of the incentives for school improvement fund. Title: **S.B. 40 Intervention, Incentives** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Modifies the Oklahoma School Testing Program by administering a norm-referenced test in the 3rd grade beginning with the 2000-01 school year to continue until the 3rd-grade criterion-referenced test (CRT) is implemented. Field testing of the 3rd grade CRT is delayed until the 2001-02 school year and implementation is delayed until 2002-03. Delays implementation of the end-of-instruction tests in Biology I and Algebra I until the 2002-03 school year. Requires test results to be disaggregated by ethnic group and gender. Declares schools sites to be low performing if more than 30% of students score unsatisfactory in both reading/English and mathematics on the CRT or end-of-instruction tests, or if the student average score falls in the lowest quartile statewide and below the national average. School sites identified as low performing for three consecutive years will be declared high challenge schools. Title: **S.B. 491 Assessment** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
PA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 16 of 2000]; Amends the Public School Code. Provides funding for basic education, services to nonpublic schools, special education, professional development, school lunch and breakfast programs, higher education, full-time student community college reimbursement, higher education, vocational education and small district assistance. Provides for an official education assessment test. Identifies underperforming schools and permits charter and for-profit school and other improvements. Title: **S.B. 652 Accountability, Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires state board to develop school performance report to provide information, including U-PASS scores, for every public school in the state. Requires Task Force on Learning Standards and Accountability in Public Education to seek public input on a possible system of rewards and interventions and on discontinuing social promotion. Task Force shall present report by November 30, 2000. Title: **H.B. 177 Establishment of U-PASS Assessment Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the presumption that students will pay the fees associated with courses they are repeating or remediation; provides alternatives to waiving the fees in cases of financial hardship; provides for a partial or full waiver in cases of extreme hardship. Title: **S.B. 146 Fees for Repeated Classes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Accreditation		
CO	Vetoed Jun-00	Concerns accreditation by the State Board of Education; provides that the Board of Education will appraise and accredit school districts in this state and submit recommendations to the governor and General Assembly for improvements in education. Title: **H.B. 1219 State Board Accreditation of Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the adoption of administrative rules; requires school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to adopt policies relating to health services, media services programs and guidance programs as part of the accreditation standards applicable to school districts. Title: **H.B. 2474 Accreditation Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; expands the definition of college to include postsecondary educational institutions accredited by all regional accrediting associations. Title: **H.B. 44 Defines College** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides that the Board of Education recognize, for purposes of facilitating the transfer of academic credits for students who have attended private schools and are now enrolling in public schools and to satisfy the accreditation requirement for an exemption from licensure for certain child day programs, those private nursery, preschool, elementary and secondary schools accredited by an organization approved by the Virginia Council for Private Education. Title: **H.B. 987 Transfer of Credits, Accreditation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Administration		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the Teacher Accountability Act; provides for performance-based contracts for principals; provides for alternative principal certification procedures; provides hearing procedures to challenge employment action taken against a principal; establishes linkage with the Teachers'National Average Salary Bill; relates to the Teacher Tenure Law; provides for the appeal of transfers of teachers; adds failure to perform duties to grounds for termination. Title: **H.B. 285 Teacher and Principal Performance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Clarifies that licensure is not a condition of employment for administrators. The board of a school district may enter into an employment contract with any person to serve as an administrator based upon qualifications set by the board. Retains current licensure requirements for principals. Title: **S.B. 160 Administrative Licensure** Source: *Colorado Association of School Boards*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Bars State Board of Education from issuing a teacher or administrator license to anyone convicted of certain felonies for five years after serving sentence; makes changes in education law relative to employees suspected of child abuse.

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		Title: **H.B. 5317 Teacher and Administrator Certification Restrictions for Felons** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires local school superintendents to make reports to their local boards and to the public in response to financial deficits or budget irregularities. The State Board of Education shall require local boards to do corrective action plans. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Superintendent Reports to School Boards Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Principals and assistant principals must be evaluated by a trained evaluator and may be evaluated by the teachers in the school, if required by the local school superintendent. All certificated personnel must be evaluated by a trained evaluator. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill – Principal Evaluation** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to educational accountability; establishes an interagency educational accountability working group to review agency administrative rules, policies, procedures, and practices, and temporarily suspends them, subject to the approval of the Board of Education, in order to support improved accountability for educational resources. Title: **H.B. 1874 Create Group To Review Administrative Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows experienced principals and vice principals from other public or private schools to seek school administrator positions without first serving as teachers or exchange principals in Hawaii schools. Title: **S.B. 2830 Increases Administrator Availability** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Vetoed by governor Apr-00	Permits the spouse of a principal to work in the principal's school if the district contains elementary schools, one middle school and one high school; changes references from "chief state school officer" to the "commissioner of education"; provides that contract employees are considered employees of the school districts. Title: **S.B. 287 Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the local school superintendent to appoint a finance officer who shall be responsible for financial management for that district; requires training and continuing education; requires notification of property tax assessments from the Revenue Cabinet before the Commissioner of Education can certify tax rates; deletes references to several specific taxes that are now part of the general tax rate. Title: **H.B. 668 Finance Officers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Permits a local board to enter into a contract with a superintendent of schools for a term of no more than three years that is extended annually for a one-year period upon evaluation and approval of the board; specifies procedures for contract extensions. Title: **H.B. 420 Superintendent Contracts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Exempts from an offset of a retirement allowance retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System who are employed in specified personnel positions; requires county boards of education to provide information to the State Retirement Agency on personnel who qualify for the exemption. Allows retired school principals to be re-employed as principals under

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		certain conditions without losing retirement benefits. Title: **S.B. 220 Re-employment of Retired Principals** Source: *Maryland General Assembly (mlis.state.md.us)*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to higher education. Creates a separate subdivision for the salary procedure for the chancellor of the Minnesota state colleges and universities; authorizes chancellors and presidents to receive additional compensation for early contract termination. Title: **S.B. 3386 Administrative Salaries** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides professional development and evaluation of principals, teachers and superintendents; raises salaries for teachers and assistant teachers. Title: **H.B. 1134 Financial Incentives for Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Deletes the requirement that school districts participate annually in the principal support pilot program. Title: **H.B. 295 Principal Support Pilot Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Apr-00	Makes certain changes concerning the termination, suspension and evaluation of certain administrative personnel of school districts and educational service centers. Title: **S.B. 77 Evaluation of Administrative Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Corporation Commission; allows use of monies of the Oklahoma Telecommunications Technology Training Fund for training of school administrators. Title: **S.B. 1178 Training for School Administrators** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Joint Resolution]; Approves regulations of the Board of Education; relates to the principal induction program. Title: **H.B. 4483 Administrator Induction Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Adult Education/Continuing Education		
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Allows local and regional boards of education to award high school diplomas to wartime veterans who did not earn their diplomas because they withdrew from school to join the armed forces. Title: **S.B. 154 Awarding High School Diplomas to Wartime Veterans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-830]; Transfers all powers and duties to the State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Education under provisions of the School Code concerning classes for adults and youths whose schooling has been interrupted, under the Adult Education Act to the Illinois Community College Board; allows the Illinois Community College Board to enter into contracts with eligible providers. Title: **H.B. 4266 Community Colleges Take Charge of Adult Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to adult education and literacy programs; requires the Department for Adult Education and Literacy to enter into long-term agreements with the comprehensive coordinating entities; requires the department to create and implement a funding formula to ensure that all counties have access to core adult education and literacy programs; relates to eligibility for training through the Bluegrass State Skills

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		Corporation; includes training in retail under certain circumstances. Title: **S.B. 1 Adult Education and Literacy Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2492] Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to increase the state subsidy for adult education. Title: **H.B. 1778 Increased Funding for Adult Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Limits administrative costs to 8% for community-based or nonprofit organizations and 5% for school districts of total state funds received from the district or consortium, not to exceed actual unreimbursed cost of administering ABE services. To be eligible to deliver Adult Basic Education (ABE) services, a nonprofit or community-based organization must demonstrate that it: (1) is legally established; (2) can meet ABE reporting requirements; (3) provides training for instructional staff; and (4) develops a learning plan for each participating adult learner with measurable goals or have prior experience. Performance Tracking System (Section 15). Requires all ABE programs to develop and implement a performance tracking system by July 1, 2000, to collect data on: (1) Improvements in literacy skill levels; (2) Participation in postsecondary education, training, subsidized employment or career advancement; and (3) Receipt of a secondary school diploma or equivalent. Bill also establishes a base aid for ABE programs equal to $1.80 times the population of the district or a minimum of $4,000, and stipulates allocation of money and limits. Title: **H.B. 3800 Adult Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to adult literacy; relates to the Center for the Study of Literacy and the Literacy Initiatives Commission; creates the Adult Literacy Services Advisory Committee. Title: **H.B. 2117 Center for the Study of Literacy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Sets provisions of in-service training in the effective use of educational technology for adult education and literacy program professionals. The training is to be delivered at institutes established by the State Council of Higher Education for providing in-service training in educational technology for public school teachers, administrators and librarians. Title: **H.B. 936 Technology Training for Adult Education Providers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Alternative Education		
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes the Florida On-Line High School; establishes a board of trustees; requires the board to establish priorities for student admissions; requires distribution of information regarding student enrollment procedures; designates Orange County District School Board as temporary fiscal agent of school; provides requirements for the content and custody of student and employee records. Title: **H.B. 2063 On-Line High School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for award of high school diplomas to certain veterans; provides for award of credit toward high school graduation for courses taken through dual enrollment at a community college; provides for credit toward completion of a home education program through dual enrollment; provides for tuition reimbursement; requires State Board of Education to identify qualifying courses; requires school superintendents and junior college presidents to develop articulated acceleration programs.

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		Title: **H.B. 2105 Alternative High School Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to elementary and secondary education; changes certain provisions regarding special instructional assistance programs for students with developmental deficiencies; provides for the application of mandatory education requirements to children between ages 7 and 16 apply who are assigned to alternative public school programs and to the parents, guardians or other persons having control or charge of such children. Title: **H.B. 114 Special Education, Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Combines in-school suspension and alternative schools to create alternative programs. In-school suspension may be included as a type of alternative program. The Office of Educational Accountability determines what is an acceptable performance of alternative education programs. The intent of the alternative education program is to meet the education needs of a student suspended from his or her regular classroom and also of a student who is eligible to remain in his or her regular classroom but is more likely to succeed in a nontraditional setting. Funding for the alternative education program shall be based on 2.5% of the full-time equivalent count for grades 6 through 12. For the 2001-02 school year and thereafter, the funds shall be allocated based on the actual count of students served not to exceed 2.5% of the full-time equivalent count. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Alternative Schools for Suspended Students** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Public Law No. 683, (LD 2027)]; Encourages public school alternative education programs; requires school alliance to set consistent standards for regional public school choice programs; provides that shared service agreements between schools may include alternative education programs; establishes alternative education as a component of secondary technical education; establishes a stakeholders group to study the possibility of federal charter school grant funds. Title: **H.B. 1420 Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that school districts may provide an alternative education program and enroll a pupil in such if the district determines such enrollment is appropriate. Title: **H.B. 889 Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Clarifies the authority of school superintendents, principals and school boards to suspend, expel or change the placement of pupils for conduct that renders a pupil's presence in the classroom detrimental to the school's educational environment or the best interest of a class as a whole; requires school boards to obtain two appraisals before purchasing certain real property; authorizes the referral of such pupils to an alternative school program. Title: **H.B. 776 Suspension, Expulsion, Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Provides that contingent upon the provision of appropriated funds designated for such purpose, all school districts in the state providing alternative education programs shall expand the programs to include middle school grade students. Title: **S.B. 901 Alternative Education Expands to Include Middle Schoolers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that a student who has been granted an Alternative Education Plan and fails to comply with the condition of the plan shall be in violation of attendance laws; authorizes the division superintendent or attendance officer of the school

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		division in which such student was last enrolled to seek the student's immediate compliance. Title: **H.B. 1468 Alternative Education Plan Compliance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Clarifies that regional pilot projects for alternative education are designed for elementary, as well as middle and high school students; directs the Department of Education to issue a request for proposals for regional pilot projects for selected alternative education options for elementary school students. Title: **H.B. 188 Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Assessment		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the assessment of student achievement in the public schools; removes the requirement that the board implement a nationally normed test in specified grades; requires that the board implement an assessment program in specified grades, and assessment and remediation program in specified grades to prepare for the graduation examination. Title: **S.B. 551 State Assessment Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to Stanford Achievement Tests (SAT) given to students in public schools as required by the State Department of Education; provides for tutoring services for reading and other subjects in which a student scores or is assessed at a below average range. Title: **S.B. 169 Tutoring Services for SAT** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	States the State Board of Education shall administer the standardized norm-referenced achievement test two times during each academic year to the random statewide representative sample of pupils selected by the technical advisory committee; states the State Board of Education shall administer a parent quality survey two times each academic year; states each school district or charter school in this state is eligible to revise its budget, as defined. Title: **S.B. 1139 Statewide Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Vetoed Apr-00	Establishes the 15-member Maintenance and Operations Task Force and the 21-member Joint Legislative Study Committee on the Impact of State Required Student Tests Committee; lowers the grade levels that are offered by the nationally standardized norm-referenced achievement tests and its subtests from between grades 3 and 12 to between grades 2 and 11. Title: **S.B. 1300 State Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Department of Education to make a report on the logistics of the Delaware Student Testing Program and to provide a plan regarding the test turnaround time so that local school districts can plan summer school effectively and efficiently. Title: **H.J.R. 20 Testing Program Logistics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows a student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) to serve as the alternative assessment. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Student IEP as Alternative Assessment** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by	Eliminates the High School Graduation Tests when the end-of-course tests are put

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	governor Mar-00	in place. Local boards of education shall have the option of allowing scores on end-of-course assessments to be counted as part of a student's grade in the course. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - High School Graduation Exams** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates Criterion Reference Competency Tests (CRCTs) in grades 1-8. English, language arts, math and reading will be assessed in grades 1 -8. Science and social studies will be added for grades 3-8. End-of-course tests in high school for core subject areas will be developed. Georgia shall participate in a norm -referenced test and the National Assessment of Educational Progress. Georgia also may participate in any other national or international performance tests. (This might include Achieve and International TIMSS.) A student's IEP may serve as the alternative assessment. The questions and answers for the end-of-course and criterion-reference competency tests are to be released each year. Any possible funding for locally developed assessments is eliminated. The State Board of Education may grant waivers until FY03 to local school boards exempting those boards from administration of the state criterion-referenced competency tests at any or all of the subject areas and grade levels for which the local school board implements locally developed criterion-referenced competency tests based on the Quality Core Curriculum which increases expectations for student achievement beyond the state criterion-referenced competency tests. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Assessment Components** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Exempts certain testing instruments, test answers and individual student test scores from the public records laws. Title: **S.B. 33A Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Amends the Profile of Learning. Highlights: Allows districts to phase in the number of content standards required of students for graduation; empowers teachers to participate in the decision about student standard requirements; allows districts to permit this year's 9th and 10th graders to be held harmless; makes scoring more flexible; emphasizes that state and local performance packages are not required. Allows districts to choose whether or not to use the three additional instruction days (mandated in 1996) for staff development relating to the implementation of the Profile of Learning. Title: **S.F. 3286 Profile of Learning** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Specifies that the passing scores in reading and mathematics are the equivalent of 70% correct for students entering grade 9 in 1996 and 75% correct for those entering grade 9 in 1997 and thereafter, as based on the first uniform test administration of February 1998. Effective the day following final enactment. Title: **H.B. 3800 Statewide Tests** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the state board to develop sufficiently clear and measurable model academic content standards. Additionally, each school district in the state is required to develop measurable academic standards that are the same as, equally rigorous as or more rigorous than the measurable model standards created by the board. Also directs local school districts to develop academic subject assessments, which will be given in one subject each year, beginning with reading. Once a subject assessment takes place, the local versions of the assessments will be forwarded to an independent expert who will select four modewoul assessments. School districts will then be required to utilize one of the model assessments the next time that subject area is assessed. Provides for the implementation of a statewide writing assessment beginning spring 2001 for students at three grade

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		levels selected by the state board. Title: **L.B. 812 Local Assessment System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Modifies the Oklahoma School Testing Program by administering a norm-referenced test in the 3rd grade beginning with the 2000-01 school year to continue until the 3rd-grade criterion-referenced test (CRT) is implemented. Field testing of the 3rd-grade CRT is delayed until the 2001-02 school year and implementation is delayed until 2002-03. Delays implementation of the end-of-instruction tests in Biology I and Algebra I until the 2002-03 school year. Requires test results to be disaggregated by ethnic group and gender. Declares school sites to be low-performing if more than 30% of students score unsatisfactory in both reading/English and mathematics on the CRT or end-of-instructions tests, or if the student average score falls in the lowest quartile statewide and below the national average. School sites identified as low-performing for three consecutive years will be declared high challenge schools. Effective 7-01-00. Title: **S.B. 491 Assessment** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
PA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 16 of 2000]; Amends the Public School Code. Provides funding for basic education, services to nonpublic schools, special education, professional development, school lunch and breakfast programs, higher education, full-time student community college reimbursement, higher education, vocational education and small district assistance. Provides for an official education assessment test. Identifies underperforming schools and permits charter and for-profit school and other improvements. Title: **S.B. 652 Accountability, Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Urges Department of Education to revise and modify portfolio assessment piloted for evaluating students with disabilities who do not participate in statewide assessment. Title: **H.J.R. 589 Assessing Students with Disabilities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TX	Signed by governor Jun-99	Adds that students shall be tested in math annually in grades 3-7 without the use of technology, and in grades 8-11 with the assistance of technology "on any assessment instruments which include algebra"; students shall be tested in reading annually in grades 3-9; in writing "including spelling and grammar" in grades 4 and 7; in English language arts in grade 10; in social studies in grades 8 and 10; and in science in grades 5 and 10. Authorizes state education agency to develop exit exams to be administered in grade 11 (exit exams formerly administered in grade 10), in math and English language arts, as well as new additions of social studies and science. Math portion must include Algebra I and geometry, which students will be able to use technology to answer. Social studies portion must include early American history. Science portion must include at least biology and integrated chemistry and physics. "The assessment instruments must be designed to assess a student's mastery of minimum skills necessary for high school g raduation and readiness to enroll in an institution of higher education." Permits assessment of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) children in grades 3-6 in Spanish, as well as other bilingual assessment provisions. Also authorizes the creation of an instrument to evaluate the annual progress of LEP students in attaining proficiency in English. Title: **S.B. 103 New State Exam Provisions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Puts into legislation recommendations of Task Force on Learning Standards and Accountability in Public Education created by 1999 legislation. Creates both norm-referenced and criterion-referenced tests for students in most grades; writing

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		assessments for students in grades 6 and 9; and 10th-grade basic skills competency test. Test results shall identify schools for assistance starting in 2003-04. Title: **H.B. 177 Establishment of U-PASS Assessment Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to social studies; requires the Board of Education, in prescribing the Standards of Learning assessments, to provide local school boards the option of administering end-of-course tests for United States History to 1877, United States History: 1877 to the Present, and Civics and Economics. Title: **H.B. 1020 Option for End-of-Course Tests** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Board of Education to schedule the administration of Standards of Learning assessments to be graded by computerized or other automated means to occur no earlier than two weeks before the end of the relevant course. Title: **S.B. 318 More Timely Results/Standards of Learning** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the Board of Education to make available publicly the Standards of Learning assessments in a timely manner and as soon as practicable following the administration of these tests, so long as this release does not compromise test security or deplete the bank of assessment questions necessary to construct subsequent tests. Title: **H.B. 1019 Standards of Learning Assessments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires Board of Education to establish requirements to facilitate acceleration of students who are qualified under Standards of Learning assessment to sit for relevant test and to obtain credit, including verified credit upon achieving a passing score. Title: **H.B. 1196 Accelerated Learning** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Authorizes the Board of Education to provide multiple assessments; includes on-line computer tests, field tests, and evaluation of student progress during and after remediation. Title: **H.B. 1484 Multiple Assessments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires the Board of Education to include, in the requirement for verified credits for the standard and advanced studies diplomas, a provision that allows students completing elective classes into which the Standards of Learning (SOL) for any required course have been integrated to take the relevant Standards of Learning assessment for the relevant required course and receive a diploma upon achieving a satisfactory score on the specific SOL test. Title: **H.B. 489 Diploma Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
At-Risk		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Department of Education to establish an Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) Intervention and Dropout Prevention Program; requires Department of Education to establish an AIMS Intervention and Program and to develop the program's procedure and guidelines; establishes requirements for the service providers to receive monies for participation in the program. Title: **H.B. 2405 Dropout Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by	Provides supplementary weighting for funding and determining enrollment in

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	governor May-00	school districts involved in district-to-district or district-to-community college sharing programs and at-risk programs. Title: **H.B. 2496 Supplemental Funding for Choice and At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Kentucky Department of Education to establish and implement a comprehensive statewide strategy to provide assistance to local districts and to address the dropout problem; allocates funds. Title: **H.B. 77 Dropout Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor May-00	[LD 1623]; Establishes the Children in Need of Services Program; provides for a safety plan consisting of housing, medical care, nutritional care and education for children 15 years of age and under who have been determined to be in need of supervision. Title: **H.B. 1138 Children in Need of Services Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Creates the Office of Comprehensive Services for At-risk Youth and Families, under the lead of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources; assumes the responsibilities of the State Management Team to develop programs and fiscal policies that promote and support cooperation and collaboration in the provision of services at the state and local levels to troubled and at-risk youth and their families. Title: **H.B. 1510 Office of Comprehensive Services** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to public school enrollment of homeless pupils; revises various statutes addressing evidence of residence in the school division for public school enrollment; adds persons lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and having a primary residence located within a school division, to those persons deemed to reside in a school division. Title: **S.B. 147 Homeless Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Revises definition for children at risk. Title: **S.B. 241 At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Attendance		
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Requires children to attend school until they reach age 18 or graduate except for children age 16 or 17 whose parents consent to their withdrawal from school. Title: **H.B. 5276 Compulsory Attendance - Age 18** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows parents or guardians of students who live closer to a school other than the one to which they are assigned to request to attend the closer school, even if the school is across county lines. The State Board of Education decides if the school is actually closer. If crossing county lines, the receiving system can bill the sending system for the costs of the student. The receiving system may petition the state to pay any difference between what that system expends to educate the child and the amount paid by the sending system. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - School Attendance Zones** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Lowers the compulsory attendance age from 7 to 6. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Compulsory Attendance** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*

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MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Authorizes certain law enforcement officers to investigate and file petitions in the proper court against parent or child under the provisions of the State Compulsory School Attendance Law. Title: **S.B. 3043 Law Enforcement Authorized for Truancy Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows, in cases where New Hampshire is party to an interstate school agreement with another state, New Hampshire pupils to attend a school which meets the standards established by one of the two states. Title: **S.B. 319 Interstate Agreement for Attendance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Became law without governor's signature Jun-00	Requires state to deny drivers license or permit to student withdrawn from secondary school who has five or more unexcused absences while attending course leading to a GED certificate. Title: **S.B. 3152 Tying Drivers License to Attendance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes standard by which school pupils subject to mandatory attendance are found to be habitual truant or truant; authorizes law enforcement officers and school attendance officers to pick up and deliver truant to parent, guardian, school principal or truancy center; provides such officers with civil immunity for such actions unless found to be outside scope of employment or performed with gross negligence or willful misconduct. Title: **S.B. 2425 Habitual Truancy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the juvenile and domestic relations court to order the denial of driving privileges for at least 30 days to any child at least 13 years of age upon a finding that the child has failed to comply with certain school attendance and parent-school conference meeting requirements. Title: **H.B. 490 Attendance/Driving Privileges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Revises the provision authorizing school boards to admit nonresident students and charge such students tuition;provides that persons of school age who reside in a state or the District of Columbia that grants the same privileges to Virginia residents may be admitted and so charged. Title: **S.B. 499 K-12 Nonresident Tuition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Lowers the age of compulsory school attendance from age 7 to 6. Title: **H.B. 270 Compulsory School Attendance (part of Safe Schools Bill)** Source: *Vermont Department of Education (www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm)*
Background Checks		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to campus police departments of colleges or universities in this state which offer medical, nursing or health care education, or which operate a hospital facility, including the University of Alabama in Birmingham and the University of South Alabama, to authorize such police departments to request criminal background checks for prospective employees of the college or university and to charge each prospective employee a background check fee. Title: **H.B. 485 Background Checks for University Health Care Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Child Protection Act of 1999; relates to criminal background checks; removes from the definition of a Local Employing Board all two-year schools under the auspices of the State Board of Education and all four-year institutions

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		from the state. Title: **H.B. 132 Criminal Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to school employees; states a person applying for a certificate shall have a valid class one or class two fingerprint clearance card. Title: **H.B. 2220 Fingerprinting** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to criminal screening of school employees; provides that a person applying for the renewal of a certificate shall have a valid class one or class two fingerprint clearance card; allows the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue waivers of state statutory requirements to schools and school districts consistent with the Education Flexibility Partnership Act. Title: **S.B. 1116 Fingerprinting** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to health care, kidney dialysis patients, the Children's Medical Services Program, the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program, and Biomedical Research Program within the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund; develops an immunization registry; provides for the electronic transfer of records between health care professionals and other agencies; relates to a person who provides services under a school health services plan for purposes of background screening. Title: **S.B. 2034 Background Screening of School Health Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires background checks of all school personnel and all certificated personnel upon any application for certificate renewal. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Background Checks** Source: *Geogia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor May-00	Requires the Department of Health to conduct criminal history records checks for employees, applicants, providers and subcontractors in positions which necessitate direct contact with children when providing nonwitnessed direct mental health services; requires private schools in cooperation with the Hawaii criminal justice data center to conduct criminal history verifications of applicants for employment in positions necessitating close proximity to children. Title: **H.B. 2098 Teacher/Staff Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the designation of investigative information possessed by the Board of Educational Examiners as privileged and confidential; relates to licensee discipline. Title: **S.B. 292 Investigative Information Confidential** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes school districts and nonpublic schools to perform certain criminal and abuse record checks. Title: **S.B. 228 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides for criminal history checks for private or parochial school employees or contractors upon request. Title: **H.B. 542 Background Checks/Private School Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires that charter schools shall comply with the requirement that all school employees undergo a criminal history check.

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		Title: **H.B. 522 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires that any person who owns, operates or is employed by a private school for children 4-6 years of age or a private kindergarten shall comply with the criminal history checks as required for basic day care licenses. Title: **S.B. 1477 Background Checks for Private Kindergartens** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-728]; Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code; makes changes concerning the ineligibility of persons to be elected to a local school council, the criminal background investigation of local school council members, a local school council's decision to retain or not retain a principal, and the term of a principal's performance contract. Title: **H.B. 3840 Background Checks on School Board Members** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act No. 91-4587]; Amends the School Code to provide that the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall provide funding for school report cards and criminal background investigations; adds the Summer Bridges program to the programs included in the general education block grant. Title: **H.B. 4587 Safety, School Report Cards, Background Checks, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires state criminal records checks of adult volunteers in public schools who have contact with students on a regularly scheduled or continuing basis; permits school boards to pay costs of criminal records checks. Title: **H.B. 136 Background Checks for Volunteers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Law No. 791, (LD 2490)]; Requires the state to pay the costs of the fingerprinting and background checks of current and prospective elementary and secondary school employees. Title: **S.B. 951 Requires State to Pay for Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Vetoed Apr-00	[LD 2540]; Proposes to effect current law that requires teachers and other school employees in public schools or approved private schools to undergo fingerprinting and state and national criminal history record checks. Title: **S.B. 987 Modifies Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Requires fingerprinting and criminal records background checks for new public school licensed and nonlicensed employment applicants and for current employees on phased-in basis; prohibits employment or continued employment of persons determined through such checks to be guilty of certain felonies; authorizes waivers for mitigating circumstances; provides immunity to school districts and school district employees regarding certain employment decisions. Title: **S.B. 2658 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Modifies the crimes that prevent a person from being hired by a school administrative unit, school district and charter school; modifies the procedures for criminal history records checks by school administrative units, school districts and charter schools. Title: **H.B. 304 Criminal Histories** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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NY	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to the protection of pupils in educational settings from abuse and maltreatment; requires the fingerprinting and criminal history records checks of prospective employees of school districts, charter schools and boards of cooperative educational services, and teachers and administrators applying for licensure or certification. Title: **S.B. 1031 Fingerprinting, Criminal History Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to fingerprinting and criminal history records checks as they apply to persons applying for a position in a school district and the payment of fees for said searches. Title: **S.B. 8239 Payment for Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires criminal background checks of school employees; prohibits employment of certain persons in schools. Title: **H.B. 1200 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to disclosure of information relating to prior school employment; provides that an applicant for a teacher's license provide the licensing authority with an affidavit listing the higher education institutions attended by the applicant, and whether the applicant's enrollment or eligibility for completio n of a program was terminated by the institutions. Title: **H.B. 303 Teacher Licensing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the Department of Social Services to respond to requests by local school board in cases where there is no match within the central registry of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect regarding applicants for employment within 10 business days of receipt of such requests. Title: **H.B. 865 Speed of Response** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs all school boards to require, as a condition of employment, fingerprinting for applicants who are offered or who accept school board employment, whether on a temporary, permanent, or part- or full-time basis; requires the submission of the fingerprints and descriptive information through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to obtain the applicant's national criminal records history. Title: **H.B. 1238 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires applicants who are offered or who accept permanent or temporary, part- or full-time employment with the school board to submit to fingerprinting and a criminal history record check through the Central Criminal Recor ds Exchange of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Title: **H.B. 1097 Background Checks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Bilingual Education		
CA	Vetoed Nov-99	Requires the specified amount annually appropriated for community-based English tutoring be allocated by the Superintendent of Public Instruction in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board of Education. Title: **A.B. 1027 English Tutoring** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No.1009]; Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in consultation with the State Board of Education, to convene a working group for the purpose of selecting a contractor on a competitive basis to conduct an independent evaluation of the effects of the implementation of Proposition 227 on the education of pupils attending K-12, inclusive, in California public schools. Title: **A.B. 56 Effects of Proposition 227** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Sep-99	Requires the State Department of Education to develop procedures for school districts to assess the English language fluency of English learner students upon enrollment and annually thereafter, until they are reclassified as fluent in English. This bill also requires the State Department of Education to develop a procedure and criteria for reclassification to fluent in English. Title: **S.B. 638 Requirements Regarding Assessments of English Fluency and Criteria for Fluency** Source: *California State Assembly*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	The English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program is no longer a grant. That funding is rolled into the general formula. The teacher -pupil funding ratio for ESOL classes is 1:7. The State Board of Education will establish the maximum class size for this program. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Bilingual Education Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
NE	Rejected by voters May-00	[LR 20-1999]; Constitutional amendment; eliminates the English language requirement in private, denominational and parochial schools. Title: **V. 4 Eliminates "English Only" Requirement in Non-Public Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	On 11/07/2000 ballot	Establishes English as the official language of the State of Utah. Title: **V. 1 Ballot Initiative English as Official Language** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Rejected by voters	[LR 20-1999]; Constitutional amendment; eliminates the English language requirement in private, denominational and parochial schools. Title: **V. 4 English Language Requirement in Private Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Business Involvement		
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Kentucky Innovation Commission to provide ongoing advice, direction and policy recommendations to the governor and general assembly relating to the state's knowledge -driven businesses, research development initiatives and related high-skill training and education. Creates a Kentucky research and development voucher program that provides funding to small and medium-sized Kentucky-based companies to work in partnership with universities. The purpose of the voucher program is to accelerate knowledge transfer and technological innovation, and to spur economic growth. Title: **H.B. 572 Programs/Commissions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Character/Citizenship Education		
AK	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Pledge of Allegiance by public school students. Title: **H.B. 192 Pledge of Allegiance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Joint Legislative Committee on Civic Education; designates Alabama's Legislators Back-to-School Day.

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		Title: **S.J.R. 100 Committee on Civic Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the state board to develop and maintain a handbook that provides schools with guidance for the teaching of moral, civic and ethical education. Title: **S.B. 1216 Civic, Ethical Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to individual income tax credits; expands use of public school fees credit to include character education programs; defines character education programs. Title: **S.B. 1369 Tax Credits** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Recognizes Delaware to be a "State of Character"; urges the citizens and community leaders of Delaware to promote character in schools, businesses, homes, churches and other places. Title: **H.J.R. 9 Citizenship Education Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for instructional activity relating to Veterans Day. Title: **H.B. 68 Veterans Day instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that the U.S. flag shall be displayed in every public school classroom; that every public school shall offer the Pledge of Allegiance or the national anthem at the beginning of each school day; that no pupil who objects shall be compelled to participate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance or singing the national anthem. Title: **H.B. 655 Display of the Flag; Pledge of Allegiance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires that instruction in citizenship shall be given in all elementary and secondary schools. Title: **H.B. 652 Citizenship Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Adds core values and qualities of good character to make moral and ethical decisions in life to the capacities students shall be allowed and assisted to acquire by the system of public education; requires schools to develop their students' ability to become self-sufficient individuals of good character; requires the Board of Education to include strategies to incorporate character education throughout a school's curriculum. Title: **H.B. 157 Character Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to requiring instruction in flag etiquette in schools; requires the Kentucky Board of Education to develop a program of instruction relating to the U.S. and Kentucky state flags and provide it to each public school. Title: **H.B. 506 Flag Etiquette/Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires a liability insurer to pay, according to the terms of the policy, an insured who is sued for posting the Ten Commandments in a public school building; provides that such posting is not an illegal act but a legal posting of a historical document. Title: **H.B. 662 Ten Commandments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor	Requires the State Board of Education to provide by rule a program of instruction within the public schools relating to the flag of the United States.

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	Mar-00	Title: **S.B. 21 Instruction Relating to the U.S. Flag** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Charter Schools		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows a sponsor of a charter school to request that the State Board of Education withhold state aid monies from a charter school if the charter school is not in compliance with state law or its charter; authorizes a charter school sponsor to request that the State Board of Education withhold up to 10% of the charter school's monthly state aid if the sponsor determ ines at a public meeting that the charter school is not in compliance with state law or its charter. Title: **H.B. 2363 Charter School Sanctions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to school district budgets; relates to charter school applications and requirements; specifies that the charter of a charter school is subject to the same electronic data submission requirements as a school district; defines the term "submit electronically"; requires that the budget format include an electronic format that shall be submitted for each proposed, adopted and revised budget; requires each governing board of a school district to publish an annual financial report. Title: **H.B. 2218 Charter School Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires an applicant seeking to establish or renew a charter school to submit a detailed business plan; prevents school districts from sponsoring charter schools located outside the geographic boundaries of the school district. Title: **S.B. 1302 Business Plan for Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Chapter No. 88]; Prohibits the denial of a petition for the establishment of a charter school based on the actual or potential costs of serving individuals with exceptional needs. Clarifies that this prohibition shall not be construed to prevent a school district from meeting its obligation to ensure that the proposed charter school will meet the needs of individuals with exceptional needs, nor shall it be construed to limit or alter the reasons for denying a petition, as specified. Title: **S.B. 1914 Charter Schools Dealing with Special Education Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Authorizes a charter school that was not granted a renewal by the chartering agency to submit an application for renewal pursuant to the procedures pertaining to a denial of a petition for establishment of a charter school. Title: **S.B. 326 Charter School Authorizing Agencies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor May-00	[Chapter No. 19]; Extends to 06/30/03 the date to which a charter school that serves at-risk pupils and operates under a charter approved before 06/01/97, in the county of Los Angeles, may continue to operate. Deletes specified provisions and authorizes a charter school, as described, to be funded for not more than 2,000 units average daily attendance in any fiscal year, as if it were a community day school operated by the county. Title: **A.B. 696 Modifies Charter Schools Law** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 736]; Deletes a continuous appropriation and references to specific items of appropriation as they pertain to federal Public Charter School Program grant funds; requires funds appropriated to the Charter School Revolving Loan Fund remain available for the purposes of the fund until reappropriated or reverted by the legislature through the Budget Act or any other act. Title: **S.B. 267 Funding for Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Extends the expiration date for charter schools that serve at-risk pupils and operate under a charter approved before 06/01/97, in the County of Los Angeles, to 06/30/05. Authorizes specified charter schools to be funded for not more than 2,000 units of average daily attendance in any fiscal year, to the extent funding is appropriated, as if it were a community day school operated by a county. Title: **A.B. 312 Charter School Amendments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 828]; Requires that provisions of existing law related to collective bargaining in public education employment apply to charter schools, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program; requires the charter school char ter to declare whether the charter school is the exclusive public school employer of the employees of the charter school for this purpose. Title: **A.B. 631 Collective Bargaining in Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes charter schools to impose fees for excess transportation costs and to engage in the building, planning and inspection process; authorizes public schools to use capital reserve fund expenditures for certain purposes. Title: **H.B. 1124 Charter School Changes, Capital Reserve Usage** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows the children of charter school employees who are permanent and work at least 30 hours per week during the school year to be given preference in admission to the charter school; gives charter schools the same opportunity as local school districts. Title: **S.B. 301 Charter School Admissions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows a charter school to give preference to children of the founders of the charter school so long as they constitute no more than 5% of the school's total student population. Title: **S.B. 308 Charter School Admissions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides an exemption from ad valorem taxes for facilities used to house charter schools; provides for the cancellation of certain taxes on real property acquired by a charter school governing board; prohibits reprisals against district school board employees as a result of involvement in an application to establish a charter school; requires a charter school to comply with certain cost accounting and reporting requirements. Title: **H.B. 2087 Charter School Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows the State Board of Education to grant a charter school petition if the local board of education refuses. The State Board of Education can call for a local tax referendum to support the charter school. Charter schools shall be subject to all the provisions of chapter 14 of Title 20, the accountability system. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Charter Schools** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides legal protection for New Century Charter School Boards; allows groups of teachers at a school to form a charter school; requires the auditor to consider the advice of the superintendent and local school boards in setting the allocation for New Century Charter Schools; appropriates funds for the establishment of additional New Century Charter Schools, including the hiring of additional school personnel. Title: **S.B. 2218 Formation of Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Clarifies that public charter schools operate independently from the existing school district structure and any local board of trustees, and are responsible for their own operations; clarifies admission procedures with regard to over enrollment. Title: **H.B. 726 Charter School Independence** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Authorizes the Board of Directors of a charter school to borrow money as a nonprofit corporation to finance the purchase of school building facilities; subject to the terms of such a contractual agreement, the board may use the facility as collateral for the loan. Title: **H.B. 677 Charter School Loans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor May-00	Increases the number of charter schools authorized to be operated in the state. Title: **H.B. 2357 Modifies Number of Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Makes several changes to the "Proprietary School Law" including allowing proprietary certificates to be good for two years instead of one and providing for a punishment for schools that do not keep records of their students. Title: **S.B. 72A Revision of the Proprietary School Law** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Expands the list of potential sponsors to include charitable organizations. Also clarifies that a charter school sponsor may be a Minnesota private college that grants two- or four-year degrees and is registered with the Higher Education Services Office. Title: **H.B. 3800 Charter School Sponsors** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Allows charter schools to give enrollment preference to residents of a town if the school is the only one located in the town serving a particular grade level. If a pupil lives within two miles of a charter school and the next closest public school is more than five miles away, the charter school must give that pupil preference for enrollment. Also, a charter school must give preference in enrollment to a sibling of an enrolled student and to a foster child of the pupil's parents. Title: **H.B. 3800 Admissions Policies at Charter Schools** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*

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MN	Signed by governor May-00	States, in lieu of a charter school's dissolution based on contract termination, the commissioner may approve the decision of a different eligible sponsor to authorize the school. Allows the commissioner, after providing reasonable notice, to terminate the existing relationship with the sponsor if the charter school has a history of financial mismanagement or repeated violations of law. Title: **H.B. 3800 Causes for Nonrenewal or Termination of Charter School Contract** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that state colleges or universities providing remedial services to a district may sponsor one or more charter schools. Such charter schools may be established to emphasize remediation of reading deficiencies. Title: **H.B. 889 Universities May Sponsor Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NC	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Session Law Number 72]; Exempts from tax the motor fuel sold to charter schools; defines charter school board as nonprofit corporation with charter to operate a school. Title: **H.B. 1302 Charter School Revision** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes a committee to study application procedures relative to charter schools and the admission preferences used in charter schools and open enrollment school districts. Title: **H.B. 690 Charter School Revisions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to charter school enrollment procedures. Title: **S.B. 67 Charter School Admissions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Died Feb-00	Provides for start-up charter schools to be funded according to current year membership. Title: **S.B. 460 Charter School Start-Ups** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
PA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 16 of 2000]; Amends the Public School Code. Identifies underperforming schools and permits charter and for-profit school and other improvements. Title: **S.B. 652 Accountability, Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the creation of regional charter schools, operated by two or more school boards, which may be chartered directly by the participating school boards or by the Board of Education with the concurrence of the participating school boards; allows the board to establish procedures for receiving and reviewing applications, seeking public comment and obtaining the concurrence of participating school boards for regional schools to be chartered by the board. Title: **H.B. 785 Regional Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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VA	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes the creation of regional charter schools, operated by two or more school boards, which may be chartered directly by the participating school boards or by the Board of Education with the concurrence of the participating school boards; permits judicial review of a school board's denial of a charter application, revocation or denial of renewal of a charter; clarifies operation guidelines and requirements. Title: **S.B. 411 Regional Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Permits the creation of residential charter schools for at-risk students by a single school division or by two or more school divisions as a joint school; provides that applications for residential charter schools include a description of the residential program, facilities and staffing, any parental education and after-care initiatives, and funding sources for the residential and other services provided. Title: **H.B. 742 Residential Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 729]; Authorizes school districts and public universities to sponsor charter public schools; states the charter schools would be run by nonprofit corporations, accountable to their sponsors for financial and academic performance, but operated independently of school districts; states they would be open to all students and staffed by certificated teachers, who could choose to unionize. Title: **V. 24 Ballot Initiative: Charter Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Choice		
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Joint Legislative Study Committee on dual enrollment in high school and community college. Title: **H.B. 2365 Postsecondary Options** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Brandywine, Colonial, Christina and Red Clay Consolidated School Districts to develop and implement Neighborhood School Plans that allow every student to attend the grade-appropriate school geographically closest to the student's home; establishes that Neighborhood School Committee. Title: **H.B. 300 Neighborhood School Plans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides supplementary weighting for funding and determining enrollment in school districts involved in district-to-district or district-to-community college sharing programs and at-risk programs. Title: **H.B. 2496 Supplemental Funding for Choice and At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides a wider variety of options to high school pupils by encouraging and enabling students to enroll in career and technical preparation programs at eligible nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions. Provides for dual enrollment options for career and technical preparation programs; establishes these programs for certain students in state schools; prescribes certain duties of public schools and certain postsecondary institutions; prescribes certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials and agencies; repeals acts and parts of acts. Title: **H.B. 5534 Dual Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates a system of public school choice for students in grades 9 through 12 by July 1, 2002. It applies only to school districts that maintain high schools. Each school district, unless exempted by the Commissioner of Education (because it can

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		demonstrate that "participation in a public high school choice region would adversely affect students in its high school"), must enter into an agreement with at least one other high school district to form a "choice region." There is no limit to the number of regions to which a school district may belong. These regions may make their own agreements on the local level as to how they will operate and, except as to special and technical education students, whether any money will change hands. In the absence of any agreement as to the procedures to be followed in accepting students, the law provides a "default mechanism." School districts define their own capacity to accept choice students and may further limit the number of choice students transferring from their high school within percentages specified in the law. If any of the above results in too many students for too few open choice slots, the sending or receiving school, as the case may be, must establish a nondiscriminatory lottery system to select which students may participate. If a student is eligible for special education, the receiving school is responsible for carrying out the student's IEP that is developed by the sending school district. The receiving district is entitled to notice of and participation in IEP meetings. Transportation of choice students is not required, but superintendents must establish a clearinghouse for families needing information on transportation options. The Commissioner of Education must provide technical assistance in developing the above-mentioned choice region agreements. The commissioner annually must report on implementation of this Act and after five years must submit a significant report with recommendations on the choice system generally. The law sunsets in 2007. Title: **S.B. 203 Public School Choice in Grades 9-12** Source: Vermont Department of Education (*www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm)*
Choice – Open Enrollment		
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Permits a school district to refuse to open enroll a student during the term of his or her expulsion if the student was expelled for: (1) possessing a dangerous weapon; (2) possessing or using illegal drugs at school or a school function; (3) selling or soliciting sale of a controlled substance while at school or a school function; or (4) committing a third-degree assault. Effective for the 2000-01 school year and later. Title: **H.B. 3800 Districts May Refuse to Open Enroll Student** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Creates the Interdistrict Public School Choice Program Act of 1999; appropriates funds for program to establish choice districts which could enroll students across district lines in choice district schools. Title: **S.B. 2171 Open Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Provides increased representation on receiving district boards of education for certain sending districts. Title: **S.B. 2212 Representation Under Open Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Feb-00	States that a school district's standards for open enrollment shall be limited to the capacity of a program, class, grade level and school building operated by the district and student/teacher ratio. In addition, limitations are put on students who wish to transfer to districts that have operating agreements with other districts, located both in and out of the state. Title: **H.B. 1015 Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to school district open enrollment and tuition waivers and payments. Title: **A.B. 367 Open Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the number of school districts to which a pupil may apply under the open enrollment program. Title: **S.B. 309 Restricts Applications for Open Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Class Size		
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires schools to include information relating to classroom pupil to teacher ratios on the school report card for kindergarten through 3rd grade if a school provides instruction for those grades; targets kindergarten through 3 rd-grade pupil to teacher ratios to measure where Arizona is in relation to average class size in these grade levels; provides for a general effective date. Title: **S.B. 1167 Pupil/Teacher Ratios** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Allows a school district with an average of no more than 60 pupils per participating grade level and an annual average class size of not more than 20 pupils for the instructional time which qualifies the class for funding to determine average class size by calculating the total number of pupils enrolled in all grade levels that will participate in the Class Size Reduction Program divided by the total number of classes with prior approval. Title: **A.B. 133 Class Size** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Funds the new class sizes as follows: Kindergarten – 1:15; Kindergarten Early Intervention Program – 1:11; Grades 1-3 – 1:17; Grades 1-3 Early Intervention Program – 1:11 Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Class Size Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
Community College		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to viability and non-viability of instruction programs as reviewed by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education; provides that students completing certain instruction programs in two-year technical and vocational colleges shall be deemed graduates for the purposes of determining viability standards of the program. Title: **S.B. 356 Students at 2-Year Institutions Deemed Graduates** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Joint Legislative Study Committee on dual enrollment in high school and community college. Title: **H.B. 2365 Postsecondary Options** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Chapter No. 124]; Specifies that under existing law, if a case concerning the granting of tenure of community college faculty proceeds to arbitration with representation by the exclusive representative, the resulting decision is not to be considered a precedent for purposes of interpreting tenure procedures and policies, or the collective bargaining agreement. This bill specifies that the resulting decision is not to be considered precedent even if there is no representation by an exclusive representative. Title: **A.B. 1337 Community College Tenure Issues** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by	[Chapter No. 36]; Exempts transactions entered into by the Board of Governors of

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	governor Jun-00	the California Community Colleges (CCC) from the requirement that all contr acts entered into by any state agency be approved by the Department of General Services. Provides that it shall not be construed to provide any exemption for the Board of Governors of the CCC from provisions of law governing personal services contracts. Title: **A.B. 1441 Community College Contracts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, upon request of the Regents of the University of California, to continue collaborative efforts to improve the rate of transfer between the California Community Colleges and the University of California. Authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of governing boards. Authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses. Title: **A.B. 667 Community College Articulation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to community college governance; requires annual reports on workforce preparation. Title: **H.B. 2433 Community College Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides supplementary weighting for funding and determining enrollment in school districts involved in district-to-district or district-to-community college sharing programs and at-risk programs. Title: **H.B. 2496 Supplemental Funding for Choice and At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-830]; Transfers all State Board of Education powers and duties concerning adult education to the Illinois Community College Board on 07/01/01. Title: **H.B. 4266 Community Colleges Take Charge of Adult Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows Ivy Tech State College to promote economic development byproviding certain assessment and training services through 2005; prohibits the community college policy committee from considering this act in developing the community college system; prohibits Ivy Tech from using the act in negotiating or developing any aspect of the community college system. Title: **S.B. 278 Community College/Economic Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns community colleges; affects determination of operating grants; authorizes boards of trustees to exempt certain community college property from the prohibition against consumption of alcoholic liquor on public property. Title: **H.B. 2996 Operating Grants for Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Adds a staff member to the board of directors for community colleges; requires that the staff member must be classified or mid-management employee who does not hold faculty rank. Title: **S.B. 259 Community College Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Permits recipients of the Tuition Opportunity Program, and Honors awards to pursue skill or occupational training, including a vocational or technical education certificate or diploma program or a nonacademic undergraduate degree. Title: **S.B. 97A Financial Support for Skill or Occupational Training**

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MD	Signed by governor May-00	Alters the formula that determines the out-of-state fee and the out-of-county or out-of-region fee charges to nonresident students who attend specified community colleges; provides for a specified waiver of specified fees. Title: **H.B. 192 Formula for Nonresident Tuition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Community College Transfer Scholarship Program and provides for the scholarships award under the program; establishes qualifications and requirements for the receipt and retention of an award under the program; requires the State Scholarship Administration to send a list of scholarship recipients to members of the General Assembly; provides for the funding of the scholarship program; requires repayment upon graduation. Title: **H.B. 476 Community College Transfer Scholarship Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that certain unrestricted higher education grants shall be distributed to certain small community colleges in a certain fiscal year; provides that the grant amounts shall increase in subsequent fiscal years depending on the increase in the amount of certain funding to certain public institutions of higher education. Title: **H.B. 311 Funding Formula for Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed Apr-00	Revises the state funding formula for community colleges by establishing a supplemental component, beginning in fiscal year 2003, that is equal to 1.75% of the total state operating fund; provides for the division and distribution of the supplemental component. Title: **S.B. 89 Funding for Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	(LD 2519); Increases access to the State's Technical College System; provides funding to add additional students systemwide; addresses the State Technical College System's need to provide students with the ability to take courses and do research over the internet. Title: **S.B. 973 Access to State Technical College System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides a wider variety of options to high school pupils by encouraging and enabling students to enroll in career and technical preparation programs at eligible nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions. Provides for dual enrollment options for career and technical preparation programs; establishes these programs for certain students in state schools; prescribes certain duties of public schools and certain postsecondary institutions; prescribes certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials and agencies; repeals acts and parts of acts. Title: **H.B. 5534 Dual Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jun-00	States that current law requires that community college districts provide 50% of the funding for maintenance and repair of facilities and grounds, and prohibits the use of this share for salaries or portions of salaries; allows the district's 50% share of funding to be used for those salaries or portions of salaries directly related to approved maintenance and repair projects. Title: **H.B. 1486 Community College Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Expands the duties of the Commission on the Status of Community-Technical Education to include studying the feasibility of allowing the Regional Community-Technical College Board of Trustees to appoint and fix the compensation of the

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		presidents of the regional community-technical colleges. Title: **S.B. 470 Community-Technical Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the expending of legacies or gifts and the transfer of funds by the regional community-technical colleges; allows the regional community-technical colleges to expend legacies and gifts without approval of the governor or council; allows for the transfer of funds between line items within and among any budgetary unit in the regional community-technical colleges. Title: **S.B. 453 Resource Allocation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Transfers the administrative responsibility for the Economic and Employment Improvement Program for Disadvantaged Persons from the Governor's Employment and Training Department to the State Board for Community Colleges; broadens the statutory provisions of the program to extend educational and job training services to persons who are eligible to participate in vocational education and job skills training programs under state and federal welfare reform laws. Title: **H.B. 1383 Transfer of Responsibility** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 732]; Provides annual cost-of-living salary adjustments to school district employees, academic employees of community and technical college districts, and certain employees of technical colleges; bases the annual increase on the consumer price index. Title: **V. 27 Ballot Initiative: Cost-of-Living Adjustments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for sick leave and leave sharing for part-time academic employees at community and technical colleges; declares that part-time academic employees of community and technical colleges shall receive sick leave to be used for the same illnesses, injuries, bereavement and emergencies as full-time academic employees at college in proportion to the individual's teaching commitment at the college. Title: **S.B. 6811 Sick Leave/Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Amends powers and duties of the Community College Commission and of local community college boards; amends composition of the commission; provides for community college collaboration in university accrediting committee; repeals required tuition differential and residency test; increases commission per diem and travel expenses; specifies application of public records provision; modifies authorized district boundaries; conforms state superintendent duties. Title: **S.B. 21 Community College Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to Joint Education Interim Committee; relates to community colleges; modifies budgeting process, distribution and use of funds for community colleges; specifies use of certain funds; making conforming amendments; provides for implementation of a funding allocation model. Title: **H.B. 26 Community College Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Correctional Education		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the achievement of functional literacy at the 8th-grade level for prisoners to be eligible for community supervisions; requires an inmate who passes the 8th-grade literacy test but does not have a high school diploma to obtain his GED; failure to obtain the GED will result in the inmate losing his earned release credits.

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		Title: **H.B. 2374 Literacy Requirement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for school district systems to provide instructional personnel at certain juvenile justice programs. Requires the provision of educational instruction to youth detained in certain facilities; requires Department of Juvenile Justice and Department of Education to develop a plan for vocational education in juvenile justice facilities; allows full-time teachers in juvenile justice facilities to participate in the critical-teacher-shortage tuition-reimbursement program. Title: **S.B. 2464 Teacher-Pupil Contact Days** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes that specified facilities for delinquent or detained youth are established and operated by the Department of Juvenile Justice and are considered places of confinement for diagnosis, care, training, education and rehabilitation of children who need these services. Title: **S.B. 39 Education of Delinquent or Detained Youth** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2608]; Requires juvenile correctional educational programs and schools to receive annual approval by the Department of Education; amends the membership, duties, meeting and reporting requirements of the Policy Review Council; establishes a task force to study educational programs at juvenile correctional facilities. Title: **H.B. 1872 Juvenile Corrections Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that teacher staffing ratios for regional or local detention homes will be based on a ratio of one teacher for every 12 beds based on the capacity of the facility; however, if the previous year's average daily attendance exceeds this bed capacity, the ratio will be based on the average daily attendance at the facility as calculated by the Department of Education from the previous year. Title: **H.B. 53 Corrections Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Counseling/Guidance		
CA	Vetoed Sep-99	Authorizes the governing board of every school district that maintains kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to develop a plan for the establishment of a comprehensive education counseling and guidance program. Title: **A.B. 38 Counseling and Guidance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires guidance counselors to spend at least five of six periods counseling or advising students and parents. Funding for middle school counselors has been changed to 1:624. Funding for elementary school counselors has been decreased. The exact ratio has yet to be determined. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Guidance Counselor Requirements and Funding** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
MI	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Public Act 288]; Allows school counselors who are not certified as teachers to serve in public school under certain circumstances. Title: **H.B. 5740 Counselors Not Certified as Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for coordinated school health program; requires program to include, but not be limited to, school nurses, health education, school nutrition services, a health school environment and school counseling, psychological and social services.

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		Title: **H.B. 674 Coordinated Health Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Vetoed Mar-00	Amends the Standards of Quality to require, within the Standards of Accreditation, guidance counselors in elementary schools at the following staffing levels: one hour per day per 100 students, one full-time at 500 students, one hour per day additional time per 100 students or major fraction thereof. Title: **H.B. 245 Guidance Counselors** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Curriculum		
AK	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to a curriculum for Native language education. Title: **S.B. 103 Native Language Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows driver's education teacher to administer the written, vision, oral or driving portion of the examination. Title: **S.B. 241 Driver Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to environmental education; changes the make up of Arizona Advisory Council on Environmental Education; expands eligibility for grants for environmental education sites; modifies the definition of environmental education. Title: **S.B. 1379 Environmental Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No.713]; Establishes the Instructional School Gardens Program for the promotion, establishment and support of instructional school gardens, to be administered by the State Department of Education through the allocation of grants to applicant school districts and county offices of education and the provision of technical assistance to school districts and county offices of education. Title: **A.B. 1014 School Gardens Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 965]; Enacts the Agricultural Education Act of 1999 and requires the State Department of Education to establish a comprehensive agricultural education program for prekindergarten and kindergarten children and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to provide statewide coordination for agricultural education in California schools. Title: **A.B. 1645 Agricultural Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Expands the requirement that all pupils in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, or the equivalent thereof, receive AIDS prevention instruction unless the parent or guardian of the child requests otherwise. Includes instruction in the prevention of sexually transmitted infection and requires related instructional materials to be medically accurate and free of ethnic, gender and racial biases. Title: **A.B. 851 Aids Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Justin Marksz Teen Safety Driving Act; requires every motor vehicle occupant under the age of 18 to wear a safety belt or child restraint device; prohibits a person under the age of 18 from being a passenger in the front seat; makes additional requirements for learner's permit holders prior to licensing; places additional restrictions on minor drivers. Title: **S.B. 1530 Additional Drivers Education Training** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires instruction in public schools regarding sacrifices made by veterans. Title: **S.B. 172 Education On America's Veterns** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Clarifies the law so that Physical Education is no longer mandatory by law. Rather the State Board of Education can set the standard requirements for Physical Education. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Curriculum Component (Physical Education)** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor Apr-00	Exempts development of statewide performance standards educational policies; states that the Department of Education shall regulate courses of study to be pursued in all grades of public schools and classify them by methods the department deems proper. Title: **H.B. 2495 Performance Standards, Curriculum** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the Interim Joint Committee on Education to study the issue of the instruction of the principles of economics and the need for promoting economic education during the 2000-02 legislative interim. Title: **H.C.R. 82 Economics Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requests the Kentucky Board of Education encourage teachers and school administrators to post and teach from historic displays of original documents reflecting American history, which may include the Ten Commandments; permits cost of posting and maintaining displays to be defrayed in whole or part by voluntary private contributions. Title: **S.J.R. 57 Ten Commandments and Other Historical Documents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires a liability insurer to pay according to the terms of the policy an insured who is sued for posting the Ten Commandments in a public school building; provides that such posting is not an illegal act but a legal posting of a historical document. Title: **H.B. 662 Ten Commandments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to geography education; establishes the Kentucky Geographic Education Board and the Kentucky Geography Education Trust Fund; permits the fund to receive grants and gifts from public and private sources. Title: **H.B. 254 Geography Education Trust Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Modifies the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program. Authorizes test fee assistance for students taking multiple tests in one year. Authorizes the state board to award additional grants to school sites demonstrating successful implementation of the courses for which the first grants were awarded. Modifies awards to allow for support of preadvanced placement courses, International Baccalaureate courses and development of advanced placement vertical teams. Effective 7-1-00. Title: **S.B. 1015 Advanced Placement Incentive Program** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires the state department to develop model programs that encourage "emotional and social competency and learning." The new law states that emotional competency includes self-awareness, emotional self-regulation, motivation, empathy and social skills; it promotes good mental health and is an

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		effective prevention intervention in such problem areas as: aggressive, violent and delinquent behaviors; school truancy and drop out; depression and suicidal thought; and substance abuse. Requires model programs to be evidence-based and include an evaluation component. Title: **S.B. 2572 Emotional and Social Competency** Source: *Rhode Island General Assembly (www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText00/SenateText00/S2572.htm)*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop curricular material on genocide and human rights violations and issues including slave trade, great hunger in Ireland, the Armenian Genocide, the Holocaust and Mussolini's Fascist Regime. Title: **H.B. 7397 Genocide, Slave Trade, Irish Famine, Holocaust** Source: *Rhode Island General Assembly (www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText00/HouseText00/H7397.htm)*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the presumption that students will pay the fees associated with courses they are repeating or remediation; provides alternatives to waiving the fees in cases of financial hardship; provides for a partial or full waiver in cases of extreme hardship. Title: **S.B. 146 Fees for Repeated Classes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates an arts-in-elementary-schools pilot program to determine if a sequential ongoing arts program in the state's elementary schools can improve the overall excellence and scholarship of students; provides components for a preassessment and annual evaluations. Title: **H.B. 325 Arts Education Pilot** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for defining and establishes a core curriculum including identification of basic knowledge skills and competencies; requires local school boards to design school activities and programs to focus and enhance the core curriculum; provides for an annual report. Title: **S.B. 68 Core Curriculum** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Increases the ceiling on reimbursement to schools for driver education costs from $70 to $100 per student. Title: **S.B. 114 Driver Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to social studies; requires the Board of Education, in prescribing the Standards of Learning assessments, to provide local school boards the option of administering end-of-course tests for United States History to 1877, United States History: 1877 to the Present, and Civics and Economics. Title: **H.B. 1020 Option for End-of-Course Tests** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to history requirement in middle and high school; amends the requirement for study of Virginia history documents and the U.S. Constitution to require emphasis on the relationship between the various documents and Virginia history and to state the purpose of this study as increasing knowledge of citizens' rights and responsibilities. Title: **S.B. 114 State History** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by	Amends the Standards of Quality to require that the Board of Education

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	governor Feb-00	supplement the Standards of Learning for Social Studies to ensure the study of contributions to society of diverse people; defines diverse as including consideration of disability, ethnicity, race and gender. Title. **S.B. 487 Standards of Learning for Social Studies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Develops a grant program to fund public education activities and development of education materials to ensure that the events surrounding the exclusion, forced removal, and internment of civilians and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry will be remembered, and so that the causes and circumstances of this and similar events may be illuminated and understood. Title: **H.B. 1572 Japanese Ancestry** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes a World War II oral history project in public schools. Title: **H.B. 2418 World War II Oral History Project** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the state treasurer to conduct a program on banking in the public schools. Title: **H.B. 4080 Program on Banking** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Deregulation/Waivers		
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the Kentucky Board of Education, at the request of a local school district superintendent, to waive reporting and paperwork requirements upon a finding of good cause, except reports required by federal law or related to health, safety or civil rights. Title: **H.B. 884 Waivers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Desegregation		
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Requires a district to submit a budget each year detailing the cost of its desegregation/integration plan before receiving integration revenue. For Minneapolis, St Paul, or Duluth, these requirements apply only to revenue which exceeds the amount received by the district for FY2000. For other districts, these requirements apply to all integration revenue. Clarifies the calculation of integration aid adjustments paid to a district serving nonresidents. Integration revenue follows a pupil residing in Minneapolis, St. Paul or Duluth and attending a nonresident district outside of these three districts if the nonresident district has implemented a desegregation plan and the enrollment of the pupil in the nonresident district contributes to desegregation or integration purposes. The aid adjustment paid to the nonresident district equals the integration revenue allowance of the resident district ($536 for Minneapolis, $446 for St. Paul or $207 for Duluth), minus the integration allowance of the nonresident district (up to $93 for districts required to implement a desegregation plan), times the pupil units attributable to the pupil for the time the pupil is enrolled in the nonresident district. Also clarifies that the integration revenue for a district other than Minneapolis, St. Paul or Duluth, including the alternative attendance adjustment, cannot exceed the actual cost of implementing the desegregation plan. Title: **H.B. 3800 Funding for Desegregation Initiatives** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
Disabled Students		
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires that each postsecondary education institution with residence facilities have housing and security policies that assure disabled students a safe environment in which to live and study; provides for an appeals process; requires maintenance of a list of students with disabilities to assure safety of such students during an

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		emergency. Title: **H.B. 321 Safe Facilities for Students with Disabilities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	Ensures that all students with disabilities enrolled in institutions in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education be afforded the opportunities to succeed; encourages the state institutions of higher education to communicate to all manufacturers and publishers of required or essential instructional materials that such materials should be provided in a digital electronic format in a timely manner to fit course schedules and at no additional cost to the institutions. Title: **H.B. 2586 Materials for Students With Disabilities in Higher Education** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
Distance Learning/Virtual University		
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2519]; Increases access to the State's Technical College System; provides funding to add additional students systemwide; addresses the State Technical College System's need to provide students with the ability to take courses and do research over the internet. Title: **S.B. 973 Access to State Technical College System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the Virtual Internet School in Oklahoma Network (VISION) Pilot Program to concentrate on developing web-based instructional programs in mathematics. Requires selection of participating school districts by mid-summer of 2000. Title: **H.B. 2662 Virtual Internet School in Oklahoma Network** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Higher Education Coordinating Board, in conjunction with the State Board of Community and Technical Colleges, the Office of Financial Management and the state institutions of higher education, to study distance education and to provide a study; defines parameters of study. Title: **H.B. 2952 Study of Distance Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the West Virginia Virtual School within the Department of Education to offer courses via the Internet to students who are not advantageously located with respect to schools. Title: **S.B. 584 West Virginia Virtual School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Drugs/Alcohol		
MI	Signed by governor Jan-00	[Public Act 274]; Relates to crimes; prohibits the consumption or possession of alcoholic liquor on school property; provides penalties. Title: **S.B. 246 Possession of alcohol** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Vetoed Mar-00	Establishes youth drug prevention programs in communities and schools; makes an appropriation. Title: **H.B. 364 Drug Prevention Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes certain drug and/or alcohol testing on pupils under certain circumstances. Title: **H.B. 1289 Drug, Alcohol Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by	Requires juveniles found delinquent and adults found guilty for a first drug offense

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	governor Apr-00	be subject to periodic substance abuse testing, drug treatment and education; mandates six months extra time on a felony sentence if the mand atory drug assessment indicates a substance abuse problem. Title: **S.B. 153 Drug Testing for Certain Juveniles** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits local school boards to require as a condition for re-enrollment or continued enrollment in public school, that students who have been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of drug-related offenses submit to drug testing; provides that Board of Education regulations will govern such initiatives that may be adopted by local school boards. Title: **H.B. 588 Drug Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes law enforcement officers to report suspected violations of the Drug Control Act that occurred on school property, on a school bus or at a school-sponsored activity by students to school principals. Title: **H.B. 1361 Reporting of Violations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor May-00	Makes a social host who furnishes intoxicating liquor to a minor liable under the Dram Shop Act for damages and injuries caused by the intoxicated minor; changes illegal blood alcohol concentration to .02 for a school bus operator. Title: **H.B. 566 Liability for Alcohol Consumption; Bus Driver Intoxication** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Early Childhood		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Office of School Readiness within the Department of Children's Affairs; provides for the operation and management of a voluntary pre-kindergarten program. Title: **S.B. 132 Office of School Readiness and Pre-Kindergarten Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires preschools receiving funding under the early childhood block grant program to become accredited. Title: **H.J.R. 96 Accreditation of Preschool Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to individual income tax credits for tuition paid to preschool for handicapped children; defines handicapped student as a student who is hearing impaired, visually impaired, preschool moderately delayed, preschool severely delayed, and preschool speech or language delayed; adds preschools for handicapped students to the qualified schools for which the tax credits can be claimed. Title: **H.B. 2226 Income Tax Credits for Preschool** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires preschools receiving funding under the early childhood block grant program to become accredited. Title: **H.B. 2398 Preschool Accreditation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Nov-99	[Chapter No. 955]; Relates to existing law which states the intent of the legislature to implement the Early Intervention for School Success Program; extends the dates during which this program would be implemented to 06/30/04 in the 300 school sites and states the intent of the legislature to provide a support network for schools previously involved in the program.

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		Title: **A.B. 1319 Early Intervention for School Success** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps scholarship program to help low-wage early childhood staff obtain further training; relates to health care assistance for children (Medikids); provides for dental benefits under the Florida Kidcare program; provides for assistance to families in evaluating summer recreation and day camp programs; increases family income limits for subsidized child care; relates to federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funding; relates to child care facility licensing. Title: **S.B. 212 Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates a Blind Babies Program; provides for early-intervention education for certain children who are blind or visually impaired and for their parents, families and caregivers. Title: **S.B. 924 Blind Babies Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor May-00	Revises the composition of the Florida Partnership for School Readiness; revises the membership of school readiness coalitions. Title: **S.B. 2088 Composition of School Readiness Partnership** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Act No. 655]; Creates the Peachcare for Kids Program; changes the provisions relating to eligibility; provides for Department of Education and local boards of education cooperation and assistance regarding the program. Title: **H.B. 1214 Peachcare for Kids** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates an Early Intervention Program in kindergarten and a Primary Grades Early Intervention Program in grades 1-3. These programs are for students performing below grade level. The Office of Education Accountability and the State Board of Education both have responsibility for administering and setting the definitions for who qualifies for the Early Intervention Programs. The Education Coordinating Council also must adopt the standards and definitions for these programs. Special education students are eligible for this program, but may only be counted for funding for either the early intervention program or a special education category. The school must provide timely notice and an opportunity for a conference with the student and his or her parents or guardians to discuss the student's developmental deficiencies and options for addressing those deficiencies. Delivery models may include, but are not limited to, class augmentation, pull-out or self-contained classes, and the Reading Recovery Program. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Early Childhood Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates voluntary pre-enrollment of 2-year-olds in local school systems. Parents must include a certification of immunization as a condition of pre-enrollment. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Pre-enrollment of Two-Year Olds and Immunization Certification** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor Apr-00	Expands the life of the Good Beginnings Alliance (GBA) to 2010; expands the membership of the Interdepartmental Council by two members; expands the representation of the GBA Board of Directors by five representatives. Title: **H.B. 536 Good Beginnings Alliance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by	[Public Act No. 91-831]; Provides that beginning October 1, 2000, the Department

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	governor Jun-00	of Human Services shall operate a Great Start (Strategy to Attract and Retain Teachers) program to improve children's educational outcomes in child care by encouraging increased professional preparation by staff and staff retention. Title: **H.B. 4021 Retaining Teachers for Child Care** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-765]; Amends the School Code; exempts all persons holding a special certificate with a special education endorsement from provisions of the School Code concerning preschool educational programs, provided these persons meet all the other requirements for teaching. Title: **H.B. 2940 Preschool Special Education Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to reorganization; creates the Office of Early Childhood Development within the Office of the Governor. Title: **H.B. 240 Office of Early Childhood Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Early Childhood Development Authority in the Office of the Governor to manage expenditures of the early childhood development fund; requires 17 members to be appointed; sets term limits for members of the authority; establishes duties of the authority; requires the authority to develop a state plan for funding priorities and programs; creates community early childhood councils for service areas designated by the authority. Title: **H.B. 706 Early Childhood Development Authority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed May-00	Establishes the Judith P. Hoyer Early Care and Education Centers and Education Enhancement Grant Program for the development of collaborative approaches to delivery of full-day early care and education and family support services; defines terms; designates the Department of Education as the agency supervising the grant program; requires the Department to distribute the funds to local systems on a competitive basis; limits local school use of funds. Title: **S.B. 793 Early Child Care and Education Centers Grant Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed Apr-00	Creates the Judith P. Hoyer Blue Ribbon Commission on the Financing of Early Child Care and Education; provides for the purpose, duties and membership of the commission; provides for the terms and compensation of members; provides for the appointment of members; requires the commission to meet at specified times and issue reports on or before specified dates; provides for the staffing of the commission. Title: **H.B. 1284, S.B. 869 Blue Ribbon Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Judith P. Hoyer Early Childhood Care and Education Program, a grant program for early child care and education centers and education enhancement for the development of collaborative approaches for the delivery of full-day early care and education and family support services; designates the Maryland Department of Education as the agency supervising the grant program. Title: **H.B. 1249, S.B. 1249 Early Childhood Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the State Board of Education to distribute grants to organizations that promote literacy at an early age during child health visits to a pediatrician; requires an organization that is awarded a grant to use the grant to purchase books and train health care providers; requires the gvernor to include funding for the grants in the state budget; requires the state board to adopt regulations to implement the act.

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		Title: **H.B. 1172, S.B. 750 Early Literacy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Extends the fiscal year 2000 increase in early childhood family education aid to fiscal year 2001. The additional aid amount is equal to $2.46 times the greater of 150 or the number of children under 5 years of age residing in the school district on October 1 of the previous school year. Title: **H.B. 3800 Early Childhood Education Aid** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes the State Board of Education to issue a standard license to teach in public prekindergarten through kindergarten classrooms to persons holding a Bachelor of Science degree with child development emphasis from a program accredited by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. Title: **H.B. 419 Early Childhood Teacher Licensure** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes an Early Childhood Services Interagency Coordinating Council; provides for the membership and organization of the Council; defines the responsibilities of the council; establishes an interagency advisory committee to the council; provides for the membership, organization and responsibilities of the advisory committee. Title: **H.B. 418 Early Childhood Services Interagency Coordinating Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Creates a Parents as Teachers Pilot Program to create a partnership between parents and early childhood development professionals; provides there shall be two school district based programs, one in an urban community and one in a rural community in Sullivan county. Title: **S.B. 170 Parents as Teachers Pilot Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to state aid for school districts; funds a workforce education program in New York City; creates the Universal Prekindergarten Reserve Fund; provides state aid for conversion to full-day kindergarten; relates to administration of the School Tax Relief Program; relates to 1997 and later assessment rolls; relates to tuition-assistance program awards; relates to allowances for members of the legislature, funding for the legislature and legislative commissions. Title: **A.B. 9291 Full-day Kindergarten, Universal Prekindergarten Reserve Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Vetoed Jun-00	Creates the Partnership for School Readiness Act to facilitate community collaboration of efforts and services that will prepare children to enter school healthy and ready to succeed. Goal also to stress importance of reading to children for 15 minutes per day. Creates an advisory board. Up to six pilot projects (rural and urban) to be selected. Title: **S.B. 1597 Partnership for School Readiness** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for increased "parents rights" in the realm of public education. The new law states that parents have the right to "… control the care, supervision, upbringing, and education of their children… " When a new policy or rule is adopted by the state board of education, it must include a report detailing its impact on these parents' rights. In addition, this new law states that schools are prohibited from requiring in-home educational or parenting programs without parental permission.

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		Title: **H.B. 102 Parent Rights** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that the guidelines for at-risk 4-year-olds preschool program may be differentiated according to the agency delivering the services in order to comply with various federal or state requirements; requires (1) one teacher for any class of 10 students or less, (2) if the average daily membership in any class exceeds 10 students but does not exceed 20 students, a full-time teacher's aide must be assigned to the class, and (3) the maximum class size must be 20 students. Title: **S.B. 170 Preschool Compliance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides a school district may establish a preschool program under certain conditions; provides for funding a preschool program; provides certain limitations on enrollment; provides for technical assistance under certain circumstances; provides for program assessment; provides for reporting of program assessments. Title: **H.B. 185 Preschool Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Early Childhood – Collaboration and Partnerships		
NY	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes medical assistance payments to certain clinics or diagnostic and treatment centers for services they render to preschool children with handicaps. Title: **S.B. 6735 Payments to Medical Centers for Serving Preschool Students with Handicaps** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Economic/Workforce Development		
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the Cabinet for Economic Development, the Department of Education, and the Transportation Cabinet to work together to create a unified plan for increasing levels of assistance to counties with high unemployment, low educational attainment and low per capita income. Title: **H.J.R. 142 Economic Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Kentucky Innovation Commission to provide ongoing advice, direction and policy recommendations to the governor and general assembly relating to the state's knowledge -driven businesses, research development initiatives and related high -skill training and education. Creates a Kentucky research and development voucher program that provides funding to small and medium-sized, Kentucky-based companies to work in partnership with universities. The purpose of the voucher program is to accelerate knowledge transfer and technological innovation, and to spur economic growth. Title: **H.B. 572 Programs/Commissions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a commission to study the relationship between postsecondary education and recipients of temporary assistance to needy families. Title: **S.B. 313 Effects of Postsecondary Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
PA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the New Economy Technology Scholarship Act. Further provides for definitions for the New Economy Technology Scholarship Program, for scientific and technological scholarships, for administration and for reporting. Title: **H.B. 2351 Amends New Economy Technology Scholarship Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Elementary Education		
VA	Signed by governor	Requires local school boards to ensure that elementary school teachers in their employment have at least three hours during the students' school week for

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	Mar-00	planning time. Title: **H.B. 1517 Elementary Teachers' Planning Time** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Enrollment		
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to school attendance; specifies that city and parish school boards must have a policy to place and educate foster children and may not deny enrollment to a child because he or she is in foster care. Title: **S.B. 24A Enrollment of Foster Children** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to conditions under which local school boards may deny a student's enrollment or re-enrollment. Title: **H.B. 46 Denial of Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Equity		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 587]; Provides that it is the policy of the state to afford all persons in public school and postsecondary institutions equal rights and opportunities in the educational institutions of the state, regardless of their race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, gender, sexual orientation, or because he or she perceives that the other person has one or more of these characteristics. Provides that this does not require the inclusion of any curriculum, textbook or material. Title: **A.B. 537 Equal Opportunity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Prohibits discrimination in athletics on the basis of sex in any public school and requires the superintendent of education to develop a strategic plan to ensure equity in sports participation. Title: **S.B. 2475 Equity in School Sports** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-792]; Amends the Board of Higher Education Act; removes the provision repealing the section concerning gender equity in intercollegiate athletics on December 31, 2000; changes when the Board of Higher Education has to report to the General Assembly and the governor with a description of the plans submitted by public higher education institutions relative to gender equity in intercollegiate sports to every three years, on or before the second Wednesday of April. Title: **S.B. 1589 Gender Equity In Intercollegiate Sports** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Extended-Day Programs		
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Reinstates and funds the extended-day program for students in grades 9-12. There are additional funds for an extra 20 days which local systems may use to either extend the school day or school year. These days, however, are to be used for remediation of low-performing students. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill – Extended-Day Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Defines "Academic Intervention Programs" as those taking place before or after school, or on weekends, during holidays, vacations or summer break. Provides grants to county boards for programs meeting certain criteria. Requires evaluation of the status and success on an individual program and statewide basis. Title: **S.B. 810 Section 2: Academic Intervention Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Vetoed Jun-00	Relates to grants for before- and after-school programs; clarifies statutory language.

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		Title: **H.B. 2467 Grants for Before- and After-School Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Faculty		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 952]; Relates to existing law which contains provisions relating to employer-employee relations between the State of California and the employees of state higher education institutions, which provides that these employees have the right to form, join and participate in the employee organizations' activities for the purpose of representation on all labor relations' matters; employees other than faculty are eligible for membership in the Academic Senate. Title: **S.B. 645 Employee Organizations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 738]; Requires the California Postsecondary Education Commission to conduct a comprehensive study of the part-time faculty, employment, salary and compensation patterns, as specified, of the California community colleges; requires the commission to release its primary findings regarding the study to the legislature and the governor by 03/31/00 and requires the completed study to be transmitted to the legislature and the governor by 07/01/00. Title: **A.B. 420 Faculty Study** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 878]; Authorizes an institution of higher education to provide academic employees access to academic peer-review records in a form that does not reveal the identity of any reviewer. Exempts material that is part of an academic performance evaluation of an academic employee of an institution of higher education from a requirement that employers remove specified adverse material from an employee's personnel file. Title: **A.B. 344 Faculty Evaluation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Kansas Partnership for Faculty of Distinction program to encourage gifts by private donors to enhance the ability of eligible education institutions to attract and retain faculty of distinction. The program shall be administered by the State Board of Regents. Under the Kansas Partnership for Faculty of Distinction Program, the state shall contribute income earnings equivalent awards to supplement endowed professorships at eligible education institutions for which qualifying gifts have been received by endowment associations. Title: **H.B. 2476 Faculty of Distinction Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Removes the waiting period and lessons the earnings limit applicable upon reemployment of certain retired employees of colleges and universities who have attained at least age 62. Title: **H.B. 18B Reemployment of Retired Postsecondary Faculty** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Increases pay for elementary and secondary teachers in amount necessary (determined by legislature) to annually achieve statewide average equal to the Southern Regional Education Board average. Same applies to postsecondary faculty. Provides 4% for all other personnel of elementary and secondary systems and of universities under jurisdiction of the Board of Regents in amounts as determined by the legislature. Not less than 80% of monies in Educational Enhancement Fund to be used for pay increases and other purposes. Title: **H.B. 30B Pay Increases for Teachers and Faculty** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by	Permits the Board of Trustees of a state college or university to establish rules that

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	governor Jun-00	describe circumstances in which an employee of that institution may solicit or may be given a financial interest in any firm, corporation or other association to which the board has assigned, licensed, transferred or sold the institution's interest in discoveries, inventions, intellectual property or patents resulting from research; prescribes coordination with the Ethics Commission. Title: **S.B. 286 Intellectual Property, Institutional Interest** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	[Joint Resolution]; Extends the reporting date of the special legislative commission to study the feasibility of allowing unionized classified employees at all higher education institutions to be able to negotiate directly with Rhode Island Board of Governors. Title: **H.B. 6968 Special Legislative Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Raises the amount of part-ime gross pay retired professors and teachers may earn from employment by a state college or the Department of Education. Title: **S.B. 2376 Part-Time Professors/Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Allows noncitizens to be employed at public schools and colleges in Tennessee. Title: **S.B. 2939 Employment of Noncitizens** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to higher education; repeals requirement that supreme court directly review, by appeal, decree of chancery court involving tenured faculty member dismissed or suspended for cause. Title: **H.B. 2227 Faculty** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 732]; Provides annual cost-of-living salary adjustments to school district employees, academic employees of community and technical college districts, and certain employees of technical colleges; bases the annual increase on the consumer price index. Title: **V. 27 Ballot Initiative: Cost-of-Living Adjustments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for sick leave and leave sharing for part-time academic employees at community and technical colleges; declares that part-time academic employees of community and technical colleges shall receive sick leave to be used for the same illnesses, injuries, bereavement and emergencies as full-time academic employees at college in proportion to the individual's teaching commitment at the college. Title: **S.B. 6811 Sick Leave/Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows exceptional faculty awards to be used for faculty development and inservice training. Title: **S.B. 6770 Faculty Awards Tied to Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance		
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Limits the authorization of the California School Finance Authority to make or purchase secured or unsecured loans or to purchase the rights and possibilities to those loans and rights and possibilities regarding the state's share of funding, for school facilities provided under the Green Act. Title: **A.B. 2586 State Financing Regulations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns the creation of the Advanced Technology Fund for use by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education. Title: **H.B. 1430 Creation of Advanced Technology Fund for Postsecondary Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for transfer of Florida Prepaid College Program benefits to certain applied technology diploma programs and vocational certificate programs; requires direct-support organization to operate under written contract with the board; allows Florida Prepaid College Board to permit direct-support organizations established under this section to use property, facilities and personal services of board; provides for investment of Florida Prepaid College Fund trust monies. Title: **S.B. 130 Prepaid College Program - Transfer to Technical School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides for the distribution of money received from the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement; establishes the Rural Development Fund, the Early Childhood Development Fund, and the Kentucky Health Care Improvement Fund; creates the Lung Cancer Research Fund administered through the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville; provides that all interest income accrue to the funds; provides that the funds are non-lapsing. Title: **H.B. 583 Tobacco Settlement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to be responsible for an annual audit of the funds in each school district cooperative, school district consortium, school district corporation and any other entity formed by school districts; provides the auditor may allow a certified public accountant to perform the audit but shall retain the right to receive the audit report and management letters. Title: **H.B. 689 Annual Audits** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Vetoed Apr-00	Changes provisions relating to budgets, beginner grade entrance document requirements, the enrollment option program, reorganization plan hearing s, report filing dates, warrants, expenditure limitations, state aid, temporary mitigation funds, the Hardship Fund, certain site and building funds, special education, and private postsecondary career schools; changes and eliminates provisions relating to duties of the school Finance Review Committee. Title: **L.B. 1401 Budget Provisions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to revenue and taxation; changes provisions relating to the Nebraska Budget Act, tax levies, joint public agencies, taxation of public property, and school finance; changes the operative date of changes made by Laws 1999; provides operative dates; repeals the original sections; declares an emergency. Title: **L.B. 968 School Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[OKLAHOMA STATE QUESTION 684, (SJR 2-2000)]; Amends the state constitution. Authorizes Commissioners of the Land Office to increase a distribution payment from the school trust funds if the payment calculated by the formula would be less than the payment for the preceding year. Authorizes transfers and successions of nonpreference right leases. Title: **V. 1 SB 1348 School Land Trust** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor	Raises cap on library automation and materials fee in regard to higher education.

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	Apr-00	Title: **S.B. 1305 Student Fees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Relates to municipal public building authorities; provides that in calculating the limitations of revenue bonds, there shall not be included in the calculation 50% of the outstanding principal amount of any bond issued for projects for which the authority or municipality recieves school housing aid. Title: **S.B. 3067 Bonds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT E]; Permits the investment of the Permanent School Funds in certain stocks, bonds, mutual funds and other financial instruments, and the use of a certain portion of the interest and income to incr ease the principal in the fnd. Title: **V. 5 Investments of School Funds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Amends the public bids section of law to make clear that school boards may resort to the state purchasing system without having to undergo any further public bidding; authorizes, in the context of school nutrition programs, use of any federally permitted bid or request for proposal process notwithstanding any Vermont public bid statute to the contrary. Title: **H.B. 620 Purchasing** Source: *Vermont Department of Education (www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm)*
Finance – Adequacy/Core Cost		
OR	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[MEASURE 1]; Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution regarding accountability and equity in school funding; provides that the legislature must fund school quality goals adequately; establishes grants. Title: **V. 24 Equity and Adequacy in School Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for state and local funding of the Minimum School Program Act; provides a ceiling for the state contribution of the maintenance and operations portion of the act; provides appropriations for school building aid; provides additional funding for pupil transportation, text books, educational supplies and teacher training, as well as other programs. Title: **S.B. 3 Minimum School Program Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Budget Authority		
CO	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[REFERENDUM F. S.B. 4]; Asks the question shall the state of Colorado be permitted to annually retain up to a specified amount of the state revenues in excess of the constitutional limitation on state fiscal year spending for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and for four succeeding fiscal years for the purpose of funding performance grants for school districts to improve academic performance, notwithstanding any restriction on spending, revenues or appropriations. Title: **V. 6 Trying to Override Spending Restrictions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Recreates Florida School District Review Trust Fund within legislative branch without modification and places it on the standard review cycle; carries forward current balances and continues current sources and uses thereof. Title: **S.B. 602 Carrying Forward Funds from the District Review Trust Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the Department of Education (DOE) to retain and expend a portion of all indirect overhead reimbursements for discretionary grants; establishes a federal grants search and application revolving fund; provides the DOE with autonomy

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		over the administration of its trust funds; prohibits federal impact aid received by the DOE from being returned to the general fund; allows excess federal impact aid to be spent by the DOE for the purposes of the school-based budgeting program. Title: **H.B. 1873 Department of Education Budget Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Allows University of Hawaii to carry over funds from one year to the next. Title: **H.B. 2062 University Budget Carry-over** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that if no budget hearing is required by law, the county clerk shall be so notified; provides consequences if a nonschool district does not comply with the statute regarding budget hearings; provides consequences if a school district does not comply with the statute regarding budget hearings. Title: **S.B. 1452 Budget Hearings** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Public Law No. 710, (LD 1346)]; Establishes an optional new school budget cost center format and budget approval process; authorizes school boards to transfer up to 5% of the school budget between cost centers without voter approval; allows district voters to add a second step to the process for finalization of the school budget; directs the State Board of Education to develop a model school budget procedure. Title: **H.B. 949 Optional New Budget Cost Center Format** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[OKLAHOMA STATE QUESTION 690 (HJR 1019-2000)]; Amends the State Constitution; affects certain school millage levies; changes the emergency levy, local support levy and the building fund levy for school districts; allows each school district to decide to eliminate the need for an annual election for those levies. Title: **V. 5 School Millage Levies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Capital Construction		
AK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Makes capital appropriations that are funded from the sale of revenue bonds that are issued by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation or a subsidiary of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and that are to be repaid either from the revenue derived from the settlement of State of Alaska v. Phillip Morris, Incorporated, or from revenue of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to the Department of Education and Early Development for public school facilities. Title: **H.B. 287 Bond Issue Financing School Buildings** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[PROPOSITION 39]; Authorizes bonds for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities if approved by 55% vote for projects evaluated by schools, community college districts, county education offices for safety, class size, and information technology needs. Title: **V. 29 Bond Vote for Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires (a) specified notification to affected school districts, county offices of education, community college districts, California state universities, the University of California, or a state agency prior to enacting or changing capital facilities fees, and (b) any judicial action or proceeding that protests or challenges a rate or charge that contains a capital facilities fee or that seeks the refund of capital facilities fees. Title: **A.B. 1674 Capital Finance Notification**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	On 11/7/2000 ballot	[BALLOT NO. 833, (SA99F0004)]; Authorizes schools, community college district and county education offices that evaluate safety, class size, information technology needs to issue bonds for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities if approved by majority of applicable district or county voters. Prohibits bond use for teacher, administrator salaries, other school operating expenses. Includes accountability requirements. Title: **V. 15 Bonds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 992]; Relates to the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act, under which an eligible school district may receive funding for new construction of school facilities. Provides that in addition to this funding for new construction and subject to certain limitations, that funding may be provided for 50% of the cost of evaluation of hazardous materials, as defined, at a site to be acquired by the school district and for 50% of the response cost for removal of hazardous waste. Title: **A.B. 387 New Construction Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 622]; Requires the Department of General Services to conduct an inventory of public school buildings that are concrete tilt-up, and school buildings with nonwood frame walls that do not meet the minimum requirements of the 1976 Uniform Building Code to submit a report to the legislature and the governor by 12/31/2001, summarizing its findings and making recommendations. Title: **A.B. 300 Facility Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes charter schools to impose fees for excess transportation costs and to engage in the building, planning and inspection process; authorizes public schools to use capital reserve fund expenditures for certain purposes. Title: **H.B. 1124 Charter School Changes, Capital Reserve Usage** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns the funding of Public School Capital Construction Projects; addresses two methods of providing funding for the state's portion of matching grants for school district capital construction projects. Title: **S.B. 181 Capital Construction Projects** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund within the education department; provides for sources of funds, provides purposes; provides for annual carry forward of funds; provides for transfer of certain funds to trust fund; proclaims that trust fund is exempt from constitutional termination. Title: **H.B. 627 Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides financial assistance to communities and school districts by creating a School Infrastructure Program and Fund; continues the Community Attraction and Tourism Development Program and Fund; creates a Vision Board; creates a Vision Iowa Program and Fund; provides bonding authority to the treasurer of state; exempts interest and income from such bonds from taxation. Title: **S.B. 2447 Infrastructure Program/Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Repeals provision authorizing the raising of an additional enrichment amount to fund asbestos removal projects; provides that asbestos removal projects would continue to be able to be financed out of any funds in the general fund of a school district, funds received from the physical plant and equipment levy, or monies

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		obtained through a federal asbestos loan program. Title: **H.B. 2435 Asbestos Removal - Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates an Idaho Uniform School Building Safety Code Commission which shall develop an Idaho Uniform School Building Safety Code; provides for enforcement of the Uniform School Building Safety Code. Title: **H.B. 678 Uniform School Building Safety Code Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires school districts to identify and abate unsafe and unhealthy conditions in schools in the district; creates a School Safety and Health Revolving Loan Fund from which school districts can borrow money from the State of Idaho to abate unsafe and unhealthy conditions in schools. Title: **H.B. 668 Unhealthy Conditions in Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Vetoed Mar-00	Expands the definition of education facility projects for purposes of the Indiana Development Finance Authority (IDFA) law to permit the authority to provide funding to certain nonprofit corporations for real property and improvements, personal property, and noncapital costs to fund a judgement, settlement, or other cost or liability; provides for bonding authority to the state office building commission for a judicial legislative building. Title: **S.B. 408 Education Facility Projects** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to procurement; increases the cost of construction projects and purchases for which state agencies, institutions of higher education and the legislative branch may use small purchase procedures; provides for local government newspaper advertisement for bids; provides monthly notification to the Kentucky Wood Products Competitiveness Corporation of certain public projects; requests a list of suggested vendors from the corporation. Title: **H.B. 249 Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a pilot program to use solar energy in new school construction projects; requires a county board of education to include the use of solar energy for at least 20% of the energy or demand needs of a public school construction project; requires a county board to submit a grant application to the Department of Education; requires the department to arrange financing for the project. Title: **S.B. 711 Solar Energy in New Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Repeals a specified limitation on the applicability of the Prevailing Wage Law to the construction of an elementary or secondary school. Title: **S.B. 202 School Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Law No. 789, (LD 870)]; Improves public school safety and learning environments; allows a municipality to expend funds for school construction or renovation if expenditure is approved by the voters at an election; requires Board of Education and Department of Education to conduct a study and create a plan to address the needs for improved and new facilities for projects low on the priority list; provides extra renovation funds to capitalize on a revolving fund; carries over unused funds. Title: **S.B. 298 Construction Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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ME	Passed Nov-99	[QUESTION 6, (MEH451/LD614-1999)]; Authorizes a General Fund bond issue for Maine's seven technical colleges for high technology laboratories and libraries, facilities expansion and upgrading telecommunications and information technology. Title: **V. 6 Bonds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Revises the definition of the term "local governmental entity" under the Mississippi Development Bank Act to include the state or any agency thereof, institutions of higher learning and education building corporations established for institutions of higher learning. Title: **S.B. 2868 Development Bank Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires installation of automatic fire suppression systems in all dormitories at public or private institutions of higher education. Title: **S.B. 891 Fire Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act; concerns the construction and financing of public school facilities. Title: **S.B. 200 Facilities Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Vetoed Jan-00	Makes FY 2000 supplemental appropriations for social services, educational services, wildlife management, workforce development, mental health services, higher education facilities and economic development. Title: **A.B. 3336 Supplemental Appropriations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Apr-00	Authorizes the issuance and sale of capital projects general obligation bonds to make capital expenditures for senior citizen facility improvements and acquisitions, for public educational capital improvements and acquisitions and for other state capital expenditures; provides for a property tax levy for certain costs related to the bonds; requires approval of the registered voters at the 2000 General Election. Title: **H.B. 17A Bonds for Capital Projects** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Vetoed Feb-00	Authorizes supplemental severance tax bonds for public school capital outlay purposes. Title: **H.B. 297 Tax Bonds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to public school capital expenditures. Declares an emergency; amends the Public School Capital Outlay Act to provide criteria and standards for projects to be funded; provides a formula to determine the amount of funds that a project may receive. Title: **S.B. 31 Public School Capital Expenditures** Source: *New Mexico Legislature (legis.state.nm.us)*
NM	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to severance tax bonds. Declares an emergency; amends the Severance Tax Bonding Act, authorizes the issuance of additional supplemental severance tax bonds for public school capital outlay purposes. Makes an appropriation. Title: **H.B. 32 Severance Tax Bond** Source: *New Mexico Legislature (legis.state.nm.us)*
OH	Signed by	Authorizes a Board of Education to acquire real property needed for school

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	governor Jun-00	purposes by exchanging real property that the board owns for the property or by using real property that the board owns as consideration in the purchase of the property. Title: **S.B. 269 Property Acquisition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Sets aside school facilities assistance monies for school districts with exceptional needs; permits any school district to participate in the School Building Assistance Expedited Local Partnership Program; makes other changes to the Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. Title: **S.B. 272 School Facilities Assistance Monies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Passed Nov-99	[BALLOT MEASURE NO. 1 (S.J.R. 1-1999)]; Proposes to enact Sections 2n and 17 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for a system of common schools and for state-supported and state-assisted institutions of higher education, and to establish a limit on the amount of obligations the state may issue based on the amount needed for debt service payments. Title: **V. 1 General Obligation Bonds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to revenue and taxation and higher education. Appropriates to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education $634,890,903 from the general fund to increase faculty salaries 3% and to correct deferred maintenance in public postsecondary institutions throughout the state. Title: **S.B. 984 Appropriations for Postsecondary** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to revenue and taxation and higher education. Appropriates $634,890,903 from the general fund to increase faculty salaries 3% and to correct deferred maintenance in public postsecondary institutions throughout the state. Title: **H.B. 2249 Postsecondary Capital Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to education and general obligation bonds; provides that the act may be cited as the Oklahoma Education and Infrastructure Bond Act. Primarily appropriations, but notes that for fiscal year ending 6-30-02 and thereafter, it is the intent of the legislature to appropriate sufficient monies to make rental payments for the purpose of retiring the obligations created pursuant to the law. Title: **S.B. 2A Oklahoma Education and Infrastructure Bond Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Became law without governor's signature Jun-00	Authorizes the Board of Education to acquire school buildings and other facilities relating to school district operations; allows this acquisition by means of a lease purchase agreement. Title: **H.B. 4970 School Facilities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that if a local board determines to use a construction manager and general contractor as its method of construction contracting management on projects where the total estimated accumulative cost exceeds a specified amount, it shall use a specified source selection method. Title: **H.B. 42 Construction Manager Selection Process** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Became law without	Establishes a Vermont Independent School Financing Authority to assist with the issuing of capital bonds for use by independent public high schools.

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	governor signature May-00	Title: **S.B. 146 Vermont Independent School Financing Authority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 712]; Reduces state property tax to $3.24 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation; imposes an 0.128% real estate excise tax for school construction, credited against an existing state tax; applies local real estate sales taxes to parks, open space and recreation; prohibits county from imposing taxes from local governments from imposing development fees or condition or denying land development based on needs for schools, parks, open space, or recreation. Title: **V. 7 Ballot Initiative: Property Tax, Land Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Passed Nov-99	[SJR 8206-1999]; Amends the state constitution to specifically authorize the state to pledge its full faith, credit and taxing power to guarantee the voter-approved general obligations debts of school districts; authorizes the legislature to prescribe the manner in which the state guarantees of school debt would be accomplished; provides that a state guarantee would not remove the debt obligation of a school district. Title: **V. 2 State Guarantee of Voter-Approved Debt** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Equity		
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Requires the governor, superintendent of public instruction, and the legislature to prioritize and align educational resources and funding to ensure all pupils have an equal opportunity for the educational success, and requires the State Department of Education, in consultation with other appropriate state agencies, to develop guidelines for measuring equal opportunity, and to include information pertaining to certain issues within those guidelines. Title: **S.B. 81 Funding Equal Opportunity for Success** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OR	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[MEASURE 1]; Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution regarding accountability and equity in school funding; provides that the legislature must fund school quality goals adequately; establishes grants. Title: **V. 24; (NEW BILL) Equity and Adequacy in School Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	De-earmarks federal mineral royalties and severance taxes for transportation and interest on water development funds; creates the education equity account for public schools. Title: **H.B. 195 Education Equity Account** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Foundations		
IA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to the establishment of the state percent of growth for purposes of the state school foundation program; provides an applicability date. Title: **S.B. 2082 Foundation Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for state and local funding of the Minimum School Program Act; provides a ceiling for the state contribution of the maintenance and operations portion of the act; provides appropriations for school building aid; provides additional funding for pupil transportation, text books, educational supplies, and teacher training as well as other programs. Title: **S.B. 3 Minimum School Program Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Funding Formulas		

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DE	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires that a certain percentage of the Occupational-Vocational Division II - All Other Costs funds shall be allocated to the school that generates these funds and expended to support the state-approved occupational-vocational courses and programs at that school. Title: **S.B. 385 State Payments for Vocational Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Task Force on Public School Funding; specifies powers and duties; revises funding for exceptional student education programs; revises provisions relating to instruction outside the required number of school days; revises the exclusion provisions of the computation of district required local effort; requires districts to allocate to each school a specified minimum percentage of the funds generated by the school based on State Education Finance Program. Title: **H.B. 701 Task Force for a New Education Funding Formula** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Changes equalization funding up to the 75th percentile instead of the 90th percentile. Equalization funding "may be adjusted" to allow for systems that lose money as a result of the change. Any adjustment shall not be in place for more than five years. Beginning with FY02, a midterm adjustment in a local school system's equalization grant shall be made if the system increases its actual millage rate and ranks at or below the 75th percentile. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Equalization Formula Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Eliminates the future repeal of the school finance formula; provides for periodic legislative review. Title: **S.B. 2252 Finance Formula** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides supplementary weighting for funding and determining enrollment in school districts involved in district-to-district or district-to-community college sharing programs and at-risk programs. Title: **H.B. 2496 Supplemental Funding for Choice and At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[HJR 1]; Amends the Constitution of Idaho relating to the Public School Fund; Changes the name of the Public School Fund to the Public School Permanent Endowment Fund. Title: **V. 1 School Financing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Nov-99	Establishes a public education funding formula; establishes a uniform statewide education property tax; provides education property tax hardship relief to specified low and moderate income homeowners. Title: **H.B. 999 State School Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Dec-99	Adjusts prebudget year total on which stabilization aid growth limit will be applied to calculate a district's permissible increase in state aid between prebudget and budget years; provides that any funds received by district in 1997-98 school year as restoration of an administrative penalty will be included in the district's p rebudget year total for purpose of calculating the district's stabilized aid in the 1998 -99 school year and thereafter. Title: **A.B. 2312 School Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Vetoed	Changes the at-risk index for public school finance.

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	Feb-00	Title: **H.B. 85 At-Risk Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Vetoed Jul-00	Provides that certain city school districts shall be eligible for special service aid and computer administration aid not otherwise available to small city school districts. Title: **A.B. 5795 Special Aid for Certain Small City Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – K-12 Expenditures/Revenues		
AL	Signed by governor Nov-99	Provides, beginning January 1, 2001, for the distribution of revenue received from several taxes by depositing funds into the State General Fund that are currently deposited into the Education Trust Fund. Title: **H.B. 2B Change in Distribution of Revenue** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Passed Mar-00	[PROPOSITION 20]; Relates to the State Lottery. Title: **V. 2 Lottery** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to instructional materials requirements and school boards; prescribes the duty of school boards to provide instructional materials; eliminates requirements for providing weighted and unweighted aggregations; changes reference to education commissioner regarding certain duties in selecting and adopting instructional materials; eliminates condition for rejecting bids; eliminates optional escalator clause in certain contracts. Title: **S.B. 850 Boards to provide Instructional Materials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Vetoed May-00	Relates to school district revenue; limits the ability of counties to levy school impact fees; provides for the distribution to school boards of certain funds appropriated in the General Appropriations Act; provides a procedure by which counties may amend a prior year's budget. Title: **H.B. 2179 Local Impact Fees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the Department of Education (DOE) to retain and expend a portion of all indirect overhead reimbursements for discretionary grants; establishes a federal grants search and application revolving fund; provides the DOE with autonomy over the administration of its trust funds; prohibits federal impact aid received by the DOE from being returned to the general fund; allows excess federal impact aid to be spent by the DOE for the purposes of the school-based budgeting program. Title: **H.B. 1873 Department of Education Budget Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the School Code; prohibits the State Board of Education from making audit adjustments to general state aid claims paid in fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 based upon the claimant's failure t o provide a minimum of five clock hours of daily instruction to students in an alternative education program; prohibits the audit adjustments based upon the claimant's provision of service to nonresident students in an alternative education program without charging tuition. Title: **H.B. 2917 State Board's Ability to Adjust Payments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Approved by voters Nov-99	[BALLOT NO. 2 (HB 640-1999)]; Establishes the Millennium Trust and the Louisiana Fund in the State Treasury; provides that the source of monies deposited shall be monies received under the Master Settlement Agreement approved by Consent Decree in the "Tobacco Settlement" case; establishes the Health

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		Excellence Fund, the Education Excellence Fund and the TOPS Fund as special funds within the Millennium Trust; authorizes investment of a percentage of such monies in stock. Title: **V. 2 Tobacco Settlement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MT	Signed by governor May-00	Reduces property taxes by increasing direct state aid to school districts; clarifies that the amount of motor vehicle disposition attributable to certain levies is a local government reimbursement; provides increased state funding. Title: **H.B. 4A Increases State Aid to Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Vetoed Apr-00	Relates to school finance; changes the calculation of local effort rate; adjusts levy amounts. Title: **L.B. 1107 Local Education Levies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	On 11/07/2000 ballot	Relates to forfeiture of assets and property; establishes uniform procedures for the forfeiture of property; forbids forfeiture against innocent owners; permits law enforcement officials to seize contraband and the proceeds and instrumentalities of crime; provides that all property, assets, money or other things of value which are lawfully seized and forfeited be sold or auctioned and all monies which result be deposited in the Uniform School Fund. Title: **V. 2 Ballot Initiative Revenues for Deposit to Uniform School Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the issuance of special license plates with a design incorporating an apple, representing teachers and education; designates an additional fee of $25 to be paid to the State Treasury and distributed to the Department of Education to purchase textbooks for use in public schools. Title: **S.B. 413 Revenues from License Plates** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Passed Nov-99	[SJR 8206-1999]; Amends the state constitution to specifically authorize the State to pledge its full faith, credit and taxing power to guarantee the voter-approved general obligations debts of school districts; authorizes the legislature to prescribe the manner in which the state guarantees of school debt would be accomplished; provides that a state guarantee would not remove the debt obligation of a school district. Title: **V. 2 State Guarantee of Voter-Approved Debt** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Litigation		
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Appropriates a specified sum from the General Fund and the State Transportation Fund to the controller. Allocates from the General Fund, a specified sum for the payment of certain claims by local agencies and school districts for reimbursement for state-mandated local costs, and from both the General Fund and the State Transportation Fund, a specified sum for prior year deficiencies, including interest. Title: **S.B. 1894 State Financing Issues** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Increases Tuition Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) award amounts based on college performance for certain students who qualified for Performance or Honors awards and who chose instead to receive Opportunity Awards. Title: **H.B. 224A TOPS Awards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Lotteries		

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CO	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[REFERENDUM E S.B. 84]; Asks the question shall the Colorado Lottery Commission be authorized to enter into multistate agreements allowing Colorado residents to play multistate lottery games; transfers a portion of the net proceeds from all lottery programs, including multi-state lottery games, from the General Fund to the State Public School Fund as a contingency reserve for supplemental assistance to school districts for capital expenditures to address immediate health and safety concerns. Title: **V. 1 Expanded State Lottery** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund within the Education Department; provides for sources of funds, purposes, annual carry forward of funds, transfer of certain funds to trust fund; proclaims that trust fund is exempt from constitutional termination. Title: **H.B. 627 Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to equal lottery revenue distributions. Title: **S.B. 114 Lottery Distributions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for a referendum at the election to approve or reject an amendment requiring the General Assembly to establish a Lottery Proceeds Fund which will consist of the net revenues from any lottery conducted by the Commonwealth; provides that proceeds from the fund will be distributed to counties, cities and towns to be expended for public education purposes; provides that localities accepting a distribution from the fund must fund its portion of the cost. Title: **S.B. 546 Referendum to Establish Lottery** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for a referendum at the 11/07/00 election to approve or reject an amendment requiring the General Assembly to establish a Lottery Proceeds Fund which will consist of the new revenues from any lottery conducted by the Commonwealth; requires proceeds from the Fund will be distributed to counties, cities and towns to be expended for public education purposes. Title: **H.B. 749 Lottery Proceeds Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 728]; Directs that certain existing state revenue, including all unobligated lottery revenue, be placed in a Student Achievement Fund and in the Education Construction Fund; distributes part of the state property tax levy to school districts as student achievement funds; recalculates the emergency reserve fund and places some of the redirected money in the Student Achievement Fund. Title: **V. 23 Ballot Initiative - Student Achievement Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Performance Funding		
FL	Signed by governor May-99	Factors in the performance of schools in calculating any performance-based funding policy that is provided for in the general appropriations act. Title: **H.B. 751 `Omnibus Bill - A+ Plan Performance Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
Finance – Postsecondary		
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the Department of Education (DOE) to retain and expend a portion of all indirect overhead reimbursements for discretionary grants; establishes a Federal Grants Search and Application Revolving Fund; provides the DOE with autonomy over the administration of its trust funds; prohibits federal impact aid received by the DOE from being returned to the General Fund; allows excess federal impact aid

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		to be spent by the DOE for the purposes of the school-based budgeting program. Title: **H.B. 1873 Department of Education Budget Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that certain unrestricted higher education grants shall be distributed to certain small community colleges in a certain fiscal year; providing that the grant amounts shall increase in subsequent fiscal years depending on the increase in the amount of certain funding to certain public institutions of higher education. Title: **H.B. 311 Funding Formula for Community Colleges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to revenue and taxation and higher education. Appropriates to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education $634,890,903 from the general fund to increase faculty salaries 3% and to correct deferred maintenance in public postsecondary institutions throughout the state. Title: **S.B. 984 Appropriations for Postsecondary** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to revenue and taxation and higher education. Appropriates $634,890,903 from the general fund to increase faculty salaries 3% and to correct deferred maintenance in public postsecondary institutions throughout the state. Title: **H.B. 2249 Postsecondary Capital Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to Joint Education Interim Committee; relates to community colleges; modifies budgeting process, distribution and use of funds for community colleges; specifies use of certain funds; making conforming amendments; provides for implementation of a funding allocation model. Title: **H.B. 26 Community College Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Private Giving		
MD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Public Education Partnership Fund; describes fund's purposes; authorizes fund to receive grants and private contributions; authorizes State Board of Education to use the fund; requires the treasurer to invest money from the fund for the use of the fund and to credit certain earnings to the fund; specifies procedures for expenditures from the fund; makes the fund continuous and nonlapsing; states that fund is subject to audit by the legislative auditor. Title: **S.B. 107 Private/Public Partnership** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the expending of legacies or gifts and the transfer of funds by the regional community-technical colleges; allows the regional community-technical colleges to expend legacies and gifts without approval of the governor or council; allows for the transfer of funds between line items within and among any budgetary unit in the regional community-technical colleges. Title: **S.B. 453 Resource Allocation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Resource Allocation		
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes charter schools to impose fees for excess transportation costs and to engage in the building, planning and inspection process; authorizes public schools to use capital reserve fund expenditures for certain purposes. Title: **H.B. 1124 Charter School Changes, Capital Reserve Usage** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor	Requires local school superintendents to make reports to their local boards and to the public in response to financial deficits or budget irregularities. The State Board

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	Mar-00	of Education shall require local boards to do corrective action plans. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Financial Reports to School Boards** Source:
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Issues allotment sheets for each school rather than for each system. Each school shall spend a minimum of 90% of funds designated for direct instructional costs at the school site. Funds, however, earned for special education programs shall be summed; 100% of funds earned for direct instructional salaries shall be expended on teachers and aides; 90% of the funds designated for media center costs must be spent at each school site where the funds are earned. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Resource Allocation Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the School Code; prohibits the State Board of Education from making audit adjustments to general state aid claims paid in fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 based upon the claimant's failure to provide a minimum of five clock hours of daily instruction to students in an alternative education program; prohibits the audit adjustments based upon the claimant's provision of service to nonresident students in an alternative education program without charging tuition. Title: **H.B. 2917 State Board's Ability to Adjust Payments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the expending of legacies or gifts and the transfer of funds by the regional community-technical colleges; allows the regional community-technical colleges to expend legacies and gifts without approval of the governor or council; allows for the transfer of funds between line items within and among any budgetary unit in the regional community-technical colleges. Title: **S.B. 453 Resource Allocation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Prohibits school districts from using disbursements from the Education Trust Fund as unanticipated revenue. Title: **H.B. 1316 Use of Education Trust Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 728]; Directes that certain existing state revenue, including all unobligated lottery revenue, be placed in a Student Achievement Fund and in the Education Construction Fund; distributes part of the state property tax levy to school districts as student achievement funds; recalculates the emergency reserve fund and places some of the redirected money in the Student Achievement Fund. Title: **V. 23 Ballot Initiative - Student Achievement Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – State Budgets		
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Chapter No. 44]; Provides that, contingent upon the passage of the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act at the 11/07/00 General Election, as an alternative, the governing board of a school district or community college district, may, pursuant to a two-thirds vote of the governing board, pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by a 55% vote of the electorate, at primary or general elections, subject to certain additional requirements. Title: **A.B. 1908 Alternative Use of State Education Funds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[REFERENDUM F SB 4]; Asks the question shall the State of Colorado be permitted to annually retain up to a specified amount of the state revenues in excess of the constitutional limitation on state fiscal year spending for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and for four succeeding fiscal years for the purpose of funding performance grants for school districts to improve academic performance,

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		notwithstanding any restriction on spending, revenues, or appropriations. Title: **V. 6; (NEW BILL) Trying to Over-ride Spending Restrictions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Establishes a Public Education School Library Fund. Title: **S.B. 429 Creates a Library Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the Department of Education (DOE) to retain and expend a portion of all indirect overhead reimbursements for discretionary grants; establishes a federal grants search and application revolving fund; provides the DOE with autonomy over the administration of its trust funds; prohibits federal impact aid received by the DOE from being returned to the general fund; allows excess federal impact aid to be spent by the DOE for the purposes of the school-based budgeting program. Title: **H.B. 1873 Department of Education Budget Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Finance – Taxes		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes a Class 6 city, with respect to commercial property, for a period of up to 15 years, to abate all or any part of the portion of municipal ad valorem taxes in excess of 20 mills allocated for educational purposes. Title: **H.B. 494 Commercial Tax Abatements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Proposes an amendment to the constitution; repeals the provision that no school district district ad valorem tax shall be voted upon or collected except in those counties that are levying and collecting a special countywide ad valorem tax. Title: **H.B. 123 Ad Valorem Taxes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Nov-99	Provides beginning 01/01/01, for the distribution of revenue received from several taxes by depositing funds into the State General Fund that are currently deposited into the Education Trust Fund. Title: **H.B. 2B Change in Distribution of Revenue** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for an increase to the transaction privilege tax rate from 5.0% to 5.6% to provide greater funding for teacher salaries, to increase the school year, and to provide additional funding for other maintenance and operation education programs, university research and development programs and community college workforce development; makes the act conditional on the voter approving the general transaction privilege tax rate increase at the next general election. Title: **S.B. 1007E Tax Rate Increase** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Chapter No. 76]; Relates to existing law which requires the superintendent of public instruction, for the 2000-01 fiscal year, to certify to the controller amounts that do not exceed the amounts needed to fund the revenue limits of school districts and county superintendents of schools and to adjust those amounts, as specified. Specifies that this requirement applies to 2000-01 fiscal year and every fiscal year thereafter and would delete the requirement that the revenue limits be adjusted. Title: **A.B. 2880 State Tax Limitation Issues** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows a credit for each taxable year beginning on or after 01/01/00, to credentialed teachers in an amount equal to specified amounts depending upon years of service as a teacher.

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		Title: **A.B. 2879 Teacher Tax Credit** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns the assessment of property for tax purposes; specifies that the definition of "school" for property tax purposes includes a licensed child care center that employs educators trained by a private occupational school where the private occupational school provides preschool through 8TH-grade educational training and is licensed by the Department of Education. Title: **H.B. 1268 Defining "School" for Property Tax Exemptions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to ad valorem taxation; delays the year of implementation of provisions which require, in connection with renewal of specified exemptions, applicant's and applicant's spouse's Social Security number; provides for assessment of tangible personal property after adjustments by Value Adjustment Board; maintains exemption from taxation for property leased from governmental agency if agency continues to use property for exclusively educational purposes. Title: **S.B. 290 Tax Exempt School Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Vetoed May-00	Relates to school district revenue; limits the ability of counties to levy school impact fees; provides for the distribution to school boards of certain funds appropriated in the General Appropriations Act; provides a procedure by which counties may amend a prior year's budget. Title: **H.B. 2179 Local Impact Fees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the allotment of homeowner tax relief funds to counties and local school districts; changes the manner in which ad valorem tax credit amounts are calculated. Title: **H.B. 1403 Property Tax** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the Prepaid Tuition Act and the Probate Act of 1975; provides that the section exempting the assets and income of the Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund from taxation under the Income Tax Act are exempt from the sunset provisions of that act; provides that a prepaid tuition contract shall be considered an investment for the purpose of investing a ward's money under the Probate Act of 1975; effective immediately. Title: **S.B. 1537 Prepaid Tuition Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the School Code; changes when a school board may amend a certificate of tax levy to when a change in the assessed valuation resulting from application of the equalization multiplier causes the school district's tax extensions to be less than the maximum permissive tax allowed by law or the maximum tax rate allowed by voter approved referendum; instead of when the change in the assessed valuation causes the district's operation tax rate to be less than required to qualify for the maximum amount of state aid. Title: **H.B. 3435 Changes Provisions for Certification of Tax Levy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-723]; Compensates with tax-equivalent grants when state institution is located in a district in which the state owns 45% or more of the total land area. After 1995, and each fiscal year thereafter (previously was only through 2001), affected districts to receive grants equal to 0.5% of the equalized assessed valuation of the land owned by the state. Title: **H.B. 3406 Tax-Equivalent Grants**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Designates the week of 08/11/00 as a tax free week during which various sales and use tax exemptions will apply; defines the term accessory items; provides for exemptions from the sales and use tax for various clothing and accessory items during the back-to-school tax-free shopping week. Title: **H.B. 170, S.B. 103 Tax-Free Week** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MT	Signed by governor May-00	Reduces property taxes by increasing direct state aid to school districts; clarifies that the amount of motor vehicle disposition attributable to certain levies is a local government reimbursement; provides increased state funding. Title: **H.B. 4A Increases State Aid to Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Vetoed Apr-00	Relates to school finance; changes the calculation of local effort rate; adjusts levy amounts. Title: **L.B. 1107 Local Education Levies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to revenue and taxation; changes provisions relating to the Nebraska Budget Act, tax levies, joint public agencies, taxation of public property and school finance; changes the operative date of changes made by Laws 1999; provides operative dates; repeals the original sections; declares an emergency. Title: **L.B. 968 School Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Nov-99	Establishes a public education funding formula; establishes a uniform statewide education property tax; provides education property tax hardship relief to specified low- and moderate-income homeowners. Title: **H.B. 999 State School Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Aug-00	Provides flexibility in apportionment of school taxes; provides that when a revaluation or upgrade is implemented at 100% of current value, the Office of Real Property Tax Services may establish a special equalization rate for that assessment roll for school tax apportionment purposes; adjusts the latest State equalization rates of other cities in the same school district to current value. Title: **S.B. 7774 Property Tax Revisions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[OKLAHOMA STATE QUESTION 690, (HJR 1019-2000)]; Amends the state constitution; affects certain school millage levies; changes the emergency levy, local support levy and the building fund levy for school districts; allows each school district to decide to eliminate the need for an annual election for those levies. Title: **V. 5; (NEW BILL) School Millage Levies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Reduces the maximum tax rates that a school district may levy starting in the year 2001. Rates are reduced in the following manner: agricultural property from 4.7 mills to 3.33 mills, owner-occupied property from 7.56 mills to 5.36, non-agricultural acreage from 5.7 mills to 4.33 mills, the maximum tax rate on all other property is reduced from 16.5 mills to 13.93 mills. Title: **S.B. 199 Property Tax** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor	Revises the property tax levies for the general fund of a school district.

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	Mar-00	Title: **H.B. 1139 Revises Property Tax Levies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes establishment of special tax districts within counties containing a town operating a school district; provides for calculation and distribution of revenues; provides for make up of arbitration panel to settle disputes. Title: **S.B. 483 Special Tax Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 723]; Reduces the state property tax levy from $3.60 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to $2.40; dedicates an amount equal to the $1.20 reduction to common schools from other general fund revenue; revises the emergency reserve fund law; uses funds to reduce the property tax and build schools; revises levy limits for counties and other local governments. Title: **V. 18; (NEW BILL) Property Tax Ballot Initiative** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 712]; Reduces state property tax to $3.24 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation; imposes an 0.128% real estate excise tax for school construction, credited against an existing state tax; applies local real estate sales taxes to parks, open space and recreation; imposes taxes from local governments from imposing development fees or condition or deny land development based on needs for schools, parks, open space or recreation. Title: **V. 7 Ballot Initiative: Property Tax, Land Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Vetoed Nov-99	Relates to creating a tax rebate for individuals, repealing the school property tax rent credit, reducing the amount that is available under the school levy tax credit and making an appropriation; relates to p roperty taxes and homesteads. Title: **A.B. 1A Property Tax Changes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Financial Aid		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 664]; Includes on the Scholarshare Investment Board a member of the Student Aid Commission appointed by the governor, rather than the chief executive officer of the commission; adds as board members the secretary of education, a member of the public appointed by the governor, a representative from a public institution of higher education, a representative from an independent college or university or a state-approved college, or vocational/technical school. Title: **S.B. 1262 Membership of Scholarshare Investment Board** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns tuition assistance for the dependent children of certain persons; authorizes tuition assistance for the dependents of deceased or permanently disabled national guardsmen, law enforcement officers or firefighters. Title: **S.B. 117 Tuition Assistance for Children of Public Safety Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes the Colorado High Technology Scholarship Program; creates a credit against state income tax for monetary contributions made to fund high technology scholarships awarded through the program. Title: **H.B. 1355 Creation of Colorado High Technology Scholarships** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns the Colorado Student Obligation Bond Authority, which shall be a division within the Department of Higher Education and which authority shall make or purchase student obligations, shall make authority loans, and shall develop and administer a prepaid postsecondary education expense program.

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		Title: **S.B. 164 Creation of Colorado Student Obligation Bond Authority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows towns to establish local scholarship funds for financial assistance for postsecondary education for residents; provides for a check-off on local motor vehicle property tax bills for donations to such scholarship. Title: **H.B. 5664 Local Scholarships for Postsecondary Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Act No. 690]; Relates to definitions applicable to HOPE Scholarships and grants; changes the definition of the term "eligible high school." Title: **H.B. 1306 Modification of HOPE Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to definitions applicable to HOPE scholarships and grants; changes the definition of the term "eligible high school"; changes conditions of eligibility for HOPE scholarships and grants; provides for an effective date; repeals conflicting laws. Title: **S.B. 452 Revises HOPE Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Amends existing law to create the Idaho Promise Scholarship to further posteducational opportunities for Idaho students. Title: **S.B. 1485 Idaho Promise Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Vetoed Nov-99	Allows the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to expand the definition of "part-time student" on a program-by-program basis, to include students who enroll in less than six semester or quarter hours of credit courses in any given semester or quarter. Title: **H.B. 2087 Part-Time Student** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Vetoed Mar-00	Provides that a resident who is serving in the armed forces of the United States, stationed outside the state and otherwise qualified to receive a higher education award, may receive and use a higher education award or Freedom of Choice Grant at an educational institution that is located outside the state; limits the total amount that may be awarded to students who meet these requirements during the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Title: **H.B. 1278 Financial Assistance for Military Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides Tuition Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) eligibility for certain otherwise qualified students who graduated from high school during the 1998-99 school year and who obtained a qualifying ACT score after graduating but prior to July 1, 1999. Title: **H.B. 159A Tuition Opportunity Program for Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Permits recipients of the Tuition Opportunity Program, and Honors awards to pursue skill or occupational training, including a vocational or technical education certificate or diploma program or a nonacademic undergraduate degree. Title: **S.B. 97A Financial Support for Skill or Occupational Training** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed Apr-00	Establishes that money appropriated by the state for student financial assistance that is not used in that fiscal year, unless excepted by other provisions of law, may not revert to the State treasury; prohibits the use of retained student financial assistance funds for administrative expenses.

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		Title: **H.B. 1231 Use of Unused Appropriations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows out-of-state high school graduates to be eligible for a Guaranteed Access Grant; allows recipients of state scholarships to also hold other state scholarships; makes winners of a Maryland HOPE scholarship or a Maryland Teacher Scholarship awarded during a certain period eligible for student assistance; requires residency for scholarships for career or volunteer firefighter or EMT member; repeals service obligation for recipients of grants for physical or occupational therapist training. Title: **H.B. 231 Clarification of Scholarship Recipients** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	States legislative intent that the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education establish a loan repayment program for secondary level mathematics and science teachers. Provides for loan repayments not to exceed the average cost of resident tuition and fees for a three-year period to teachers who serve as mathematics or science teachers in a secondary level public school for a minimum of five years. Title: **S.B. 1393 Regents Allowed To Set Maximum Loan Amounts** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
PA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the New Economy Technology Scholarship Act. Further provides for definitions for the New Economy Technology Scholarship Program, for scientific and technological scholarships, for administration and for reporting. Title: **H.B. 2351 Amends New Economy Technology Scholarship Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TX	Passed Nov-99	[PROPOSITION 13, (SJR16-1999)]; Amends the state constitution to provide for the issuance of $400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students; provides that the legislature, by general law, may authorize the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board or its successor or successors to issue and sell bonds. Title: **V. 13 Bonds to Support Educational Loans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that students must have a "B average" in the courses required for an associate degree in order to qualify for a New Century Scholarship; provides that the scholarship may be used at any higher education institution in the state that offers baccalaureate programs. Title: **H.B. 23 New Century Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates the Advantage Incentive Foundation, the Advantage Incentive Fund and the Advantage Incentive Program; provides that the foundation is to establish and administer the fund, and monies of the fund are to be used for awarding scholarships pursuant to the program; provides that the program is to be administered by the Workforce Council; provides scholarships to students attending an institution of higher education that are institutionally accredited. Title: **H.B. 1528 Advantage Incentive Foundation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to exemption from motor vehicle and travel rules, goals for postsecondary education, retirement and separation incentives; defines terms; relates to compact with higher education, institutional compacts, peer institutions, legislative financing goals, financing, base funding, additional funding, statewide task force on teacher quality, statewide task force on student financial aid and graduate education.

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		Title: **S.B. 653 Teacher Quality, Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for higher education tuition waivers for high school graduates in foster care. Title: **H.B. 4784 Tuition Wavers for Students in Foster Care** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Gifted and Talented		
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Commission on Funding and Services for Gifted and Talented Student Education; provides that the commission shall review the status of funding and services for gifted and talented students in major academic areas, the arts and leadership and make recommendations. Title: **H.B. 572 Gifted and Talented Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Virginia Gifted Education Consortium; extends the expiration of the provisions of the act to 01/01/03; relates to the recommendation of the Joint Subcommittee Studying the Educational Needs of Certain Underserved Gifted Students. Title: **S.B. 654 Gifted Education Consortium** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to Gifted Education Pilot Program; extends the expiration date on the provisions of the act to 07/01/03. Title: **H.B. 1406 Gifted Education Pilot** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Governance		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to viability and non-viability of instruction programs as reviewed by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education; provides that students completing certain instruction programs in two-year technical and vocational colleges shall be deemed graduates for the purposes of determining viability standards of the program. Title: **S.B. 356 Students at Two-Year Institutions Deemed Graduates** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Arizona State Board of Private Postsecondary Education. One component requires the board to (1) Administer the student tuition recovery fund; (2) Receive claims against the fund from persons injured and provide students' educational records from closed institutions; (3) Determine the amount of monies to be drawn to administer fund; (4) Deduct reasonable costs for any of the following: (a) Seizing student records from a closed school; (b) Processing student record requests; (c) Reimbursing the board of a third party. Title: **H.B. 2223 Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns the authority of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education to pursue nonprofit incorporation for the purpose of developing discoveries and technology. Title: **S.B. 61 Authority to Pursue Nonprofit Incorporation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Repeals several sections of law that deal with state education policy. This bill is part of a package (HB 2263, HB 1567, SB 1768 and 1770) which changes the educational governance system in Florida. Title: **S.B. 1738 Repealing Several Sections of State Law** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by	Creates the Florida Education Governance Reorganization Act of 2000; creates a

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	governor Jun-00	governance system that deals with K-20 education. The new board will oversee Florida's education system from kindergarten through graduate school. Title: **H.B. 2263 Reorganizing Florida's Education System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Repeals several sections of law that deal with state education policy. This bill is part of a package (HB 2263, HB 1567, SB 1738 and SB 1768) which changes the educational governance system in Florida. Title: **S.B. 1770 Changes to Florida's Education Policy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund within the Education Department; provides for sources of funds; provides purposes; provides for annual carry forward of funds; provides for transfer of certain funds to trust fund; proclaims that trust fund is exempt from constitutional termination. Title: **H.B. 627 Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates all school systems, as well as all technical schools and colleges and universities, belong to a Regional Education Service Agency (RESA). Also, each RESA board of control must contain a public library director. RESAs will be responsible for training school councils, training and assisting in the school subjects being assessed, providing assistance for schools designated as failing schools, and assisting the RESA members in complying with the rules of the Educational Coordinating Council and State Board of Education. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Membership in Regional Education Service Districts** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Removes the current requirements of a state strategic plan and reporting by the Georgia Department of Education. Also removes the current requirement for complying with Public School Standards. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) accredited schools will no longer be exempt. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Reporting and Planning Requirements of Agencies** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that the governor may appoint study commissions as he deems appropriate to study education questions, issue findings and make recommendations to the Education Coordinating Council. Provision goes into effect upon signature to allow the current Education Reform Commission to continue. The Education Coordinating Council (ECC) is created and assigned 15 duties, some of which include exercising oversight of accountability systems in other departments and coordinating the activities of state, regional and local cooperative public education agencies, offices or councils. The Office of Education Accountability (OEA) is also created. The OEA is directed to establish accountability policies and standards for the state and establish the "official" report card. The governor and the OEA will give rewards to successful schools. The State Board of Education is given the task of mandating interventions for failing schools, including appointing special masters, mandating school improvement teams, removing school personnel, allowing for a state charter school, mandating the complete reconstitution of the school, hiring all new staff and mandating that parents have the option to relocate to another public school in the district. The OEA develops and both the Council and the State Board of Education adopt a definition for which students are performing "below grade level" and the definition of "dropout." It is charged with setting the pass score for the standardized and end-of-course tests.

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		Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Education Oversight Committee and Office of Education Accountability** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to community college governance; requires annual reports on workforce preparation. Title: **H.B. 2433 Community College Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Appropriates funds to the State Board of Education for the Office of the State Board of Education for fiscal year 2001; limits the full-time positions; reappropriates the unexpended and unencumbered fund balance for the office's nonrecurring expenditures. Title: **H.B. 742 Limit on FTE** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Mar-00	Appropriates funds to the superintendent of public instruction at the State Department of Education for fiscal year 2001; limits the number of full-time equivalent positions to 113; provides legislative intent that a specified amount may be used to assist in defraying expenses relating to the discharge of the superintendent of public instruction's official duties; reappropriates unexpended and unencumbered monies to be used for development of existing standards. Title: **S.B. 1568 Limits FTE in State Department** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns postsecondary education and certain institutions thereof; relates to powers and duties of the State Board of Regents and the State Board of Education; affects membership of the Midwestern Higher Education Commission. Title: **S.B. 657 Postsecondary Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Vetoed by governor Apr-00	Permits the spouse of a principal to work in the principal's school if the district contains elementary schools, one middle school and one high school; changes references from "chief state school officer" to the "commissioner of education"; provides that contract employees are considered employees of the school districts. Title: **S.B. 287 Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; expands the definition of college to include postsecondary educational institutions accredited by all regional accrediting associations. Title: **H.B. 44 Defines College** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Adds a staff member to the board of directors for community colleges; requires that the staff member must be classified or mid-management employee who does not hold faculty rank. Title: **S.B. 259 Community College Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Feb-00	Reorganizes the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority into six separate divisions including: student and administrative services, information resources and technology, legal services, loan policy services, loan administration and financial affairs. Title: **H.B. 91 Reorganization** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor	Reorganizes departments within the Department of Education.

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	Feb-00	Title: **H.B. 79 Department of Education Reorganization** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Revises the Maryland Charter for Higher Education to include regional higher education centers; requires the Maryland Higher Education Commission to review, negotiate and approve the mission statements developed by regional higher education centers; establishes the purposes and responsibilities of regional higher education centers; establishes the roles and responsibilities of the commission in coordinating regional higher education centers. Title: **S.B. 603 Postsecondary Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed Apr-00	Establishes that money appropriated by the state for student financial assistance that is not used in that fiscal year, unless excepted by other provisions of law, may not revert to the state treasury; prohibits the use of retained student financial assistance funds for administrative expenses. Title: **H.B. 1231 Use of Unused Appropriations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a nine-member task force to examine existing constitutional and statutory provisions that dictate the governance responsibilities and authority of the respective components of the state's public education system. The executive branch shall make staff available to assist the task force. A report is due no later than December 1, 2000. Title: **H.B. 3800 Task Force on School Governance Report** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MO	Vetoed Jul-00	Makes several changes in the operations of the governing bodies of public colleges and universities, and provides for technical clarification in the statutes relating to these governing boards; includes a technical change to clarify that the board of curators at the University of Missouri and the seven regional schools may exclude a student representative to the board from a closed meeting, if the voting board members unanimously vote to do so. Title: **H.B. 1396 Governing Bodies of Public Colleges and Universities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Expands the duties of the Commission on the Status of Community-Technical Education to include studying the feasibility of allowing the Regional Community-Technical College Board of Trustees to appoint and fix the compensation of the presidents of the regional community-technical colleges. Title: **S.B. 470 Community-Technical Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Clarifies the authority of the boards of trustees of, or officers designated by the boards of trustees of, state-supported colleges or universities over decisionmaking related to employees of these institutions; eliminates the requirement for a technical college district to select a depository for its funds in accordance with the Uniform Depository Act. Title: **S.B. 210 Authority of Boards of Trustees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Jun-00	Adds the chief executive officer of the state board for technical and comprehensive education as an ex-officio nonvoting member of the First Steps to School Readiness Board; moves tuition prepayment program from the Budget and Control Board to the Office of State Treasurer. Title: **H.B. 4555 Ex-Officio Nonvoting Board Member** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by	Pertains to higher education; requires Tennessee Higher Education Commission

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	governor May-00	evaluation and approval of any new branch or satellite campuses of existing state institutions of higher education. Title: **H.B. 2332 Requires Approval of New Branch Campuses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the Western Virginia Public Education Consortium, governed by a board consisting of the region's school superintendents; requires the consortium to coordinate with entities providing programs and services to consortium school divisions to reduce duplication of efforts in the areas of vocational education workforce development and other linkages between public schools, institutions of higher education, and business and industry. Title: **H.B. 1009 Education Consortium** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Transfers the administrative responsibility for the Economic and Employment Improvement Program for Disadvantaged Persons from the Governor's Employment and Training Department to the State Board for Community Colleges; broadens the statutory provisions of the program to extend educational and job training services to persons who are eligible to participate in vocational education and job skills training programs under state and federal welfare reform laws. Title: **H.B. 1383 Transfer of Responsibility** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families; provides for the Governor to appoint two elected or appointed local officials of which one shall be a member of a local governing body and one shall be a chief administrative officer of a local governing body. Title: **S.B. 611 Governor Appointments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires board of visitors of each four-year state institution of higher education to appoint one or more nonvoting student representatives to the board. Title: **H.B. 821 Student Representation on Higher Education Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes Regional Education Service Agencies. Title: **H.B. 4413 Regional Education Service Agencies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Amends powers and duties of the community college commission and of local community college boards; amends composition of the commission; provides for community college collaboration in university accrediting committee; repeals required tuition differential and residency test; increases commission per diem and travel expenses; specifies application of public records provision; modifies authorized district boundaries; conforms state superintendent duties. Title: **S.B. 21 Community College Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Health		
AZ	Vetoed Apr-00	Creates the Tobacco Education Prevention Advisory Council consisting of 16 members, to serve no more than two consecutive five-year terms. Title: **H.B. 2316 Tobacco Education Advisory Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Permits tobacco products on school campuses and at school-related events when they are in the possession of an adult as a necessary component of a school-sponsored tobacco prevention or cessation program.

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		Title: **H.B. 2558 Tobacco on School Campuses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the governing board or a district and county superintendent to make applications for free or reduced-price meals available to students at all times during the school day; encourages school districts and county superintendents of schools in making available these applications, to include information that parents may use to request information about the Medi-Cal program and the Healthy Families Program. Requires students attending special schools for the deaf and blind to be tested at least once every two years for tuberculosis, with the cost, if any, to be borne by the parent or guardian of the student. Title: **A.B. 2877 School Health Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Authorizes the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board to include school-based health centers as traditional and safety net providers that meet certain requi rements. Provides guidelines for the creation of school-based and school-linked health centers, providing comprehensive primary care to students in public school. Establishes requirements and guidelines for those providers, and sets forth student rights and responsibilities. Title: **A.B. 1363 School-Based Health Centers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Delays the mandatory requirement that all kindergarten enrollees have a documented screening for lead poisoning for admission or continued enrollment. Title: **S.B. 405 Health Screening** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to health care; relates to kidney dialysis patients; relates to the Children's Medical Services Program; relates to the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program; relates to Biomedical Research Program within the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund; develops an immunization registry; provides for the electronic transfer of records between health-care professionals and other agencies; relates to a person who provides services under a school health-services plan for purposes of background screening. Title: **S.B. 2034 Background Screening of School Health Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows health records to be provided to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit; creates a disproportionate share program for children's hospitals; relates to Medicaid provider agreements with school districts; funds graduate medical education; relates to contracts with prepaid health services providers; increases provider surety bond requirements; prohibits interim rate adjustments based on increased cost of liability insurance; relates to skilled nursing facilities and home health care. Title: **H.B. 2329 Health Insurance and Medicaid Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to health care assistance for children (Medikids); provides for dental benefits under the Florida Kidcare program; provides for assistance to families in evaluating summer recreation and day camp programs; increases family income limits for subsidized child care; relates to federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funding; relates to child care facility licensing. Title: **S.B. 212 Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 80]; Creates the Commission on Psychiatric Medication of School-Age Children. Title: **H.R. 1079 Psychiatric Medication of Children**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor May-00	Enables the Department of Health to enforce school health requirements more uniformly by replacing statutory requirements for documentation of immunizations, physicals and tuberculosis examinations with administrative rules. Title: **H.B. 2521 Enforcement of Health Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to tobacco use prevention and control, especially among youth; establishes an initiative; creates a department and a commission on tobacco-use prevention and control; provides an effective date. Title: **H.B. 2565 Tobacco-Use Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires school districts to identify and abate unsafe and unhealthy conditions in schools in the district; creates a School Safety and Health Revolving Loan Fund from which school districts can borrow money from the State of Idaho to abate unsafe and unhealthy conditions in schools. Title: **H.B. 668 Unhealthy Conditions in Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Childhood Hunger Prevention Act and amends the School Free Lunch Program Act; changes the name of the act to the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act; requires the State Board of Education to fund a breakfast incentive program, subject to appropriation, whereby the State Board of Education is allowed to reimburse sponsors of school breakfast programs, to make grants to school boards and certain schools or other sites. Title: **H.B. 2379 Lunch and Breakfast Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-842]; Amends the School Code; allows a school district to access federally funded health care resources if the school district provides early periodic screening and diagnostic testing services to correct or improve health impairments of Medicaid eligible children. Title: **H.B. 2067 Health Care Screenings** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-719]; Amends the School Code; allows a school board to permit a school employee that is a noncertificated registered professional nurse to administer medication to students; effective immediately. Title: **H.B. 2977 Nurses Can Administer Drugs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires immunization certificates for Hepatitis B for 6th-grade school children; provides that the requirement will sunset following the 2008-09 school year; provides for promulgation of administrative regulation. Title: **H.B. 564 Vaccinations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Approved by voters Nov-99	[BALLOT NO. 2, (HB 640-1999)]; Establishes the Millennium Trust and the Louisiana Fund in the state treasury; provides that the source of monies deposited shall be monies received under the Master Settlement Agreement approved by consent decree in the "tobacco settlement" case; establishes the Health Excellence Fund, the Education Excellence Fund and the TOPS Fund as special funds within the Millennium Trust; authorizes investment of a percentage of such monies in stock. Title: **V. 2 Tobacco Settlement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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MD	Vetoed May-00	Requires students living in on-campus student housing to receive a vaccination for meningococcal disease or sign a specified waiver; provides that the institutions of higher education are not required to provide or pay for the vaccinations. Title: **S.B. 653 Vaccinations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations to require children entering a school to have been administered a blood test screening for lead poisoning at a specified time; requires public schools in Baltimore City to report on blood test screenings administered; requires physicians to administer blood test screenings for lead poisoning when treating children under age 5 in a hospital or related institutions. Title: **H.B. 1221 Lead Poisoning Screening** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires certain students enrolled in institutions of higher education to receive a certain vaccination or sign a certain waiver; requires parent or guardian of the student to sign waiver if the student is a minor; requires Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in cooperation with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to adopt regulations; states that certain institutions shall not be required to pay for vaccinations for meningococcal disease. Title: **H.B. 227 Vaccinations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 1261]; Requires unlicensed school personnel to be trained before administering medication to students in Maine's public schools and approved private schools. Title: **S.B. 424 Administering Medication** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Acts 89, 90, 91]; Relates to conditions of school aid; requires immunization status assessment for children entering 6th grade. Title: **H.B. 5291, H.B. 5292, H.B. 5293 Immunization Status** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Public Act 10]; Allows students to possess and use inhalers for asthma at school; exempts school personnel from liability under certain circumstances; requires permission of the parents and physician; requires the principal or chief administrator to be informed. Title: **S.B. 631 Inhalers for Asthma** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Public Act 9]; Revises qualified immunity for administering medication in public schools for certain school employees. Title: **S.B. 614 Immunity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Nov-99	[Public Act 187]; Prohibits school district employees from promoting or marketing performance-enhancing dietary supplements to students; also applies to volunteers; provides definitions. Title: **S.B. 706 Performance-Enhancing Dietary Supplements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the tobacco fund settlement; creates the Teen Tobacco Education and Prevention Project; creates a committee and a fund; harmonizes provisions; repeals the original sections. Title: **L.B. 1436 Tobacco Fund Settlement**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Prohibits school districts from using disbursements from the Education Trust Fund as unanticipated revenue. Title: **H.B. 1316 Use of Education Trust Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor May-00	Requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to establish public awareness campaign about meningitis; requires all institutions of higher education to notify prospective students about meningitis vaccination. Title: **S.B. 808 Meningitis Vaccination** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Vetoed Jun-00	Enacts the Oklahoma Youth Smoking Prevention Act; defines terms and creates the Youth Smoking Prevention Fund. Title: **H.B. 2313 Smoking Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires that all school children, prior to the 1st grade, shall be given an eye examination by a physician or an optometrist. Title: **H.B. 6711 Requires Eye Exams by First Grade** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the Department of Human Services to develop and implement programs aimed at reducing the use of tobacco by youth; accepts and expends private contributions therefor. Title: **H.B. 1243 Teen Smoking** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires a varicella immunization for school entry. Title: **S.B. 42 Vaccinations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for coordinated school health program; requires program to include, but not be limited to, school nurses, health education, school nutrition services, a health school environment, and school counseling, psychological and social services. Title: **H.B. 674 Coordinated Health Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Vetoed Mar-00	Relates to public schools; modifies the instruction requirements pertaining to community and personal health, physiology, personal hygiene and the prevention of communicable disease curriculum taught in grades 8-12; relates to abstinence education. Title: **H.B. 411 Health/Sex Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides an exception from the Drug Control Act for persons who administer drugs to students in Virginia public schools in accordance with a physician's instructions pertaining to dosage, frequency and manner of administration and with written authorization of a parent, and in accordance with school board regulations relating to training, security and recordkeeping. Title: **H.B. 1391 Administering Drugs to Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Became law without governor's signature	Requires proof of testing for elevated blood lead levels in the comprehensive physical examination required for first time admission to public kindergarten or elementary school, for welfare recipients' children and for child day centers.

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		Title: **S.B. 725 Testing for Lead** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows school principals, after certain conditions have been satisfied, to permit students who have a diagnosis of asthma and approval from a parent and appropriate medical professionals to possess and self-administer inhaled asthma medications. Title: **H.B. 1010 Asthma Inhalers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Allows licensed nurse practitioner acting under the supervision of a licensed physician to provide a report of a comprehensive physical examination within the 12 months prior to the date the pupil first enters such public kindergarten or elementary school. Title: **S.B. 437 Elementary School Physicals** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for a school environmental health clearinghouse on the Department of Health's Web site; provides for the development of a model school environmental health policy; requires an annual audit of school buildings and grounds; requires a maintenance schedule for ventilation and heating systems; requires implementation of integrated pest management; provides for isolation of toxic material that cannot be removed; provides for emergency response. Title: **H.B. 192 Environmental Clearinghouse** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Home Schooling		
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to requirements for home school instruction; relates to a study on home school instruction; relates to collection of data on home school instruction. Title: **S.B. 189 Home School Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Information/Knowledge Management		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 916]; Requires the California Postsecondary Education Commission, in developing a comprehensive database, to ensure that the database supports longitudinal studies of individual students, provides the interactive use of data and provides each of the educational segments access to the data as specified. Title: **A.B. 1570 Comprehensive Database** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 856]; Provides that any person or agency required to submit to the director of the University of Georgia Libraries copies of documents shall also submit such documents in electronic form if available. Title: **H.B. 1358 Electronic Documents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes in connection with the statewide educational information system a uniform budget and accounting system with input from the Office of Educational Accountability and the Education Coordinating Council. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Information Management of Budgets and Accountability Systems** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates a steering committee for hardware/software specifications and updates. This committee will establish the specifications for a statewide student information system to be created by 2003. The State Data and Research Center shall develop and collect data for and operate the student information system, and the fund accounting system and the salary data system. According to the Office of Planning and Budget, this center will become the hub of the instructional technology system.

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		Local school systems will send data directly to this center. The Office of Planning and Budget shall collect from local school systems information to verify the proper expenditure of funds and employment of positions funded in the Quality Basic Education formula and categorical grants. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Statewide Education Information System** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Extends the implementation date for the applicability of the standards enacted for data collection forms for schools, school systems and the State Department of Education. Title: **S.B. 900 Data Collection Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Prohibits public institutions of higher education, public schools or the state from printing or having printed a Social Security number on any type of identification card; prohibits the Motor Vehicle Administration from using, including or encoding a Social Security number on an individual's driver's license. Title: **H.B. 37 Use of Social Security Numbers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides for standardized system of reporting local education agencies' financial information to Commissioner of Education. Title: **S.B. 2435 Standardizes Reporting** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Integrated Services		
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes an Early Childhood Services Interagency Coordinating Council; provides for the membership and organization of the council; defines the responsibilities of the council; establishes an interagency advisory committee to the council; provides for the membership, organization and responsibilities of the advisory committee. Title: **H.B. 418 Early Childhood Services Interagency Coordinating Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Vetoed Jan-00	Makes FY 2000 supplemental appropriations for social services, educational services, wildlife management, workforce development, mental health services, higher education facilities and economic development. Title: **A.B. 3336 Supplemental Appropriations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes medical assistance payments to certain clinics or diagnostic and treatment centers for services they render to preschool children with handicaps. Title: **S.B. 6735 Payments to Medical Centers for Serving Preschool Students with Handicaps** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Vetoed Jun-00	Creates the Partnership for School Readiness Act to facilitate community collaboration of efforts and services that will prepare children to enter school healthy and ready to succeed. Goal also to stress importance of reading to children for 15 minutes per day. Creates an advisory board. Up to six pilot projects (rural and urban) to be selected. Title: **S.B. 1597 Partnership for School Readiness** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	States legislative intent to address school violence through prevention. Authorizes districts to contract with nonprofit agencies or community-based service providers for the appropriate personnel and services and to seek any available funding, including the use of Medicaid funds through targeted case management, and other

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		funds which may be available for related services. Encourages the state board to allow for the use of licensed professional counselors and licensed social workers in addition to academic counselors. Title: **H.B. 2168 Prevention of Violence** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Creates the Office of Comprehensive Services for At-risk Youth and Families, under the lead of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources; assumes the responsibilities of the State Management Team to develop programs and fiscal policies that promote and support cooperation and collaboration in the provision of services at the state and local levels to troubled and at-risk youth and their families. Title: **H.B. 1510 Office of Comprehensive Services** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes blended funding projects for youth; defines youth eligibility for the projects; directs the superintendent of public instruction and the secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services to transfer appropriated funds to support blended funding projects for youth. Title: **H.B. 2807 Projects for Youth** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Kindergarten		
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the mailing, instead of publishing, of the school corporation performance report; provides that a child must be at least 5 years of age on July 1 of the 2000-01 school year or any subsequent school year to officially enroll in a kindergarten program offered by a school corporation; provides that an assessment for early entry must consist of more than an intelligence test; states that $25 is the maximum fee a parent must pay to obtain a waiver for early entry. Title: **S.B. 489 Reports to the Public; Kindergarten** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	Amends existing law to add that child whose 5th birthday is before August 1 or is 5 at the commencement of the summer school session immediately prior to the beginning of the school year, whichever is earlier, is eligible for entry to kindergarten. Title: **H.B. 889 Kindergarten Entry Age** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to the establishment of an alternative kindergarten program within a school district; provides that school districts operating an approved alternative kindergarten program shall be eligible to receive adequate education grant distributions; provides for programs which were approved and in effect before a set date may continue to operate and receive per pupil adequate education grant amounts. Title: **H.B. 1188 Alternative Kindergarten Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Makes an appropriation from the Education Trust Fund to the Department of Education for the funding of public kindergarten programs; adjusts the Adequate Education Grant amount for the Town of Orange for the fiscal year 2000; adjusts the property tax warrant in the Town of Orange. Title: **S.B. 397 Funding for Full-Day Kindergarten** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Provides additional state aid to support full-day kindergarten programs in charter schools located in the Abbott districts. Title: **A.B. 2773 Funding for Full-Day Kindergarten**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to full-day kindergarten programs; provides funding. Title: **H.B. 211 Full-Day Kindergarten** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to state aid for school districts; funds a workforce education program in New York City; creates the Universal Prekindergarten Reserve Fund; provides state aid for conversion to full-day kindergarten; relates to administration of the School Tax Relief Program; relates to 1997 and later assessment rolls; relates to tuition-assistance program awards; relates to allowances for members of the legislature, funding for the legislature and legislative commissions. Title: **A.B. 9291 Full-Day Kindergarten, Universal Prekindergarten Reserve Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Language Arts		
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to existing law which requires a school district with pupils who are English learners to conduct annual assessments on the pupils. Requires that the annual assessment be conducted upon initial enrollment during a period of time determined by the superintendent of public instruction and the State Board of Education. Establishes, until 01/01/04, the English Language and Intensive Literacy Program for pupils in kindergarten and grades 1-12, inclusive. Title: **S.B. 1667 Language Education and Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to existing law which establishes the English Language Acquisition Program, which is designed for schools maintaining grades 4-8, inclusive, and under which English Language Development Professional Institutes provide instruction for school teams from each school participating in the program. Authorizes the institutes to provide instruction to school teams serving English language learners in kindergarten and grades 1-12, inclusive. Title: **A.B. 2881 English Language Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Creates standards for the Hawaiian language immersion program; states the Department of Education shall create a separate Office of Hawaiian Language Immersion Instruction for the direction and control of the program. Title: **S.B. 2722 Language Immersion Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Rejected by voters May-00	[LR 20-1999]; Constitutional amendment; eliminates the English language requirement in private, denominational and parochial schools. Title: **V. 4 Ballot Initiative English-Only** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	On 11/07/2000 ballot	Establishes English as the official language of the state of Utah. Title: **V. 1 Ballot Initiative - English as Official Language** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Language Arts – Writing		
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2414]; Supports and expands the Maine Writing Project to improve student achievement in writing, which is a major feature of the state educational assessment. Title: **H.B. 1708 Maine Writing Project** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Mathematics		
CA	Signed by	Makes each school district eligible for reimbursements for hours of pupil

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	governor Jul-00	attendance claimed for intensive algebra academics, pursuant to prescribed calculations. Title: **S.B. 1688 Providing More Funding for Algebra** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides that the Department of Education shall establish a competitive grant program for high school projects that involve one or more of the following topics: computers, engineering, physics, mathematics, science or technical construction; allows local and regional boards of education to apply on behalf of a high school under their jurisdiction. Title: **H.B. 5231 High School Grant Program for Math, Science and Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the Middle School Mathematics Professional Development Fund to provide monies to teachers of middle school mathematics for tuition reimbursements and stipends for approved university and college courses, approved professional development programs and preparation for certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Title: **S.B. 77 Professional Development Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Kentucky Early Mathematics Testing Program, located at a public university, to provide information to high school sophomores and juniors regarding their level of mathematics knowledge in relation to college standards in order to encourage students to take additional high school mathematics courses and reduce the number of students needing mathematics remediation in college. Title: **H.B. 178 Early Feedback in Mathematics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Certifies teachers employed by a public school or certified after 1999 to teach mathematics in grades 6-8 to teach intermediate or secondary-level math. Any teacher hired without such certifcation prior to July 1, 2000, must obtain the proper certification, but can take the subject area competency exam at no cost. Teachers employed in 1998-99 school year may teach grades 7 and 8 if they successfully complete a professional development institute in intermediate mathematics developed and administered by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation or the State Board of Education. Can participate one time free of charge. Teachers holding middle/junior high math endorsements during the 1998 -99 school year who have completed at least 24 semester hours of math (at least six of which are algebra) may teach 7th- or 8th-grade mathematics. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Qualifications** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Mentoring		
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the powers and duties of the governor; enacts the Georgia Mentoring Act of 2000; makes legislative findings; authorizes the office of the governor to develop and implement a statewide strategy to provide academic support and guidance, to award grants to local school systems, to administer academic volunteer and mentor service programs; provides for the use of such funds; provides for awards for outstanding academic mentors; repeals conflicting laws. Title: **S.B. 290 Georgia Mentoring Act of 2000** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that during the 1999-2000 through 2001-02 school years, any eligible state employee working in a metropolitan school district or urban school district containing the greater part of the population of a city with 300,000 or more inhabitants and who is a volunteer tutor or mentor in a formal pilot elementary

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		school language arts program may be granted leave from the employee's duties, without loss of time, pay, regular leave, impairment of efficiency rating or any other rights or benefits. Title: **H.B. 889 Leave Time for State Employees Who Tutor or Mentor** Source:
Middle School		
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	States that the requirements for the middle school program stay exactly the same for the next school year, with 85 minutes of common planning time. Beginning with the 2001-02 school year, local boards of education shall schedule each middle school so a to give a minimum of five hours of instruction in language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and other academic subjects as defined by the State Board. There has to be a common planning time of between 55 and 85 minutes for the interdisciplinary team of academic teachers. The local board of education shall have the authority to schedule exploratory and physical education classes for the remainder of the school day. For students below grade level, any additional time shall be used for academic instruction. Until the accountability system is in place, any middle school with a combined total of 65% scoring good or very good in the previous school year on the first administration of the Eighth-Grade Writing Test and at the 65th percentile or above on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills 8th-grade composite score, is only required to have 4.5 hours of academic instruction. After the implementation of the accountability system, for any middle school scoring an A or B on the absolute standard, the local board is only required to have 4 ½ hours of academic instruction. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Middle School Schedules and Accountability** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the Middle School Mathematics Professional Development Fund to provide monies to teachers of middle school mathematics for tuition reimbursements and stipends for approved university and college courses, approved professional development programs and preparation for certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Title: **S.B. 77 Professional Development Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Minority/Diversity Issues		
AK	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to a curriculum for native language education. Title: **S.B. 103 Native Language Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
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FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Florida Education Governance Reorganization Act of 2000; creates a governance system that deals with K-20 education. The new board will oversee Florida's education system from kind ergarten to graduate school. Title: **H.B. 2263 Reorganizing Florida's Education System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Kentucky Early Mathematics Testing Program, located at á public university, to provide information to high school sophomores and juniors regarding their level of mathematics knowledge in relation to college standards in order to encourage students to take additional high school mathematics courses and reduce the number of students needing mathematics remediation in college. Title: **H.B. 178 Early Feedback in Mathematics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the College Readiness Program and College Readiness Financial Aid Program for disadvantaged and capable public high school students in the state; requires high school students to complete core college preparation courses starting

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		in 2005-06; requires the State Department of Education and the K-16 partnership to develop a program of those courses; requires the department and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop placement tests and cutoff scores. Title: **H.B. 1091 College Readiness** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the state superintendent of public instruction, the director of the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education, and the chancellor for higher education to coordinate spring break dates for the public schools, area vocational-technical schools, and institutions within the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education beginning with the 2001-02 school year. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill – Coordination of Spring Breaks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Apprises, each school year, every 5th-9th-grade student in the public schools and their parent(s) or guardian(s) of the student's opportunity for access to higher education under the Oklahoma Tuition Scholarship Program. Requires regents and state board to develop, promote and coordinate a public awareness program. Qualified 8th- and 9th-grade students (family income under $70,000) can participate by agreeing to, throughout the remainder of their school years: attend school and do homework; refrain from substance abuse; refrain from commission of crimes or delinquent acts; have school-to-work records reviewed by designated mentors; provide information requested; and participate in program activities. Also specifies parental commitments. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - Notification of Access** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
Parent/Family		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 734]; Deletes the provisions that establish Parent/Teacher Grant Program, and instead establishes the Nell Soto Parent/Teacher Involvement Program, pursuant to which the superintendent of public instruction would allocate grants to schools in accordance with prescribed criteria, for the purpose of strengthening communication between schools and parents. Title: **A.B. 33 Parent/Teacher Involvement Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Establishes the Governor's Distinguished Family-School Partnership Award and Grant Program, to be administered by the secretary of education on behalf of the governor; requires the secretary of education to grant nonmonetary awards and funds to applicant school districts and county offices of education for schools that establish or expand a family outreach program that meets prescribed participation criteria. Title: **S.B. 343 Family-School Partnerships** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Expands responsibilities of surrogate parents appointed by education commissioner to represent children who may require special education in the absence of their real parents; monitors success; requires local school boards to notify said parents of discipline policies, suspensions and expulsions like regular parents; relates to disclosure of information in special education hearings; grants funds to local districts and magnet schools evenly; approves sheltered workshop training. Title: **H.B. 5316 Surrogate Parents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows juvenile courts to fine parents for failing to attend parent-teacher conferences. Gives juvenile courts the authority to order parents to participate in "programs or treatment" that the court determine s necessary to improve student behavior.

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		Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Parental Involvement Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education (www.doe.k12.us)*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-784]; Provides that the provision (Article of the School Code) requiring the assignment of a surrogate parent for educational matters does not apply to a child who resides with a foster parent; allows the surrogate parent to be assigned for educational matters if the child is a ward of the state residing in a residential facility; requires special education teachers to be categorically certified in order to teach a student with a specific disability. Title: **S.B. 1447 Changes in Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	Provides that school districts may adopt student promotion policies which require remediation as a condition of promotion of student not mastering grade-level skills and competencies as established by local board. Districts may also require parents or guardians of such students to commit to home-based tutorial activities with their children. Remediation may include mandatory summer school program. School districts providing remediation outside of the traditional school day may count extra hours of instruction in the calculation of average daily attendance. The state board shall establish a method for determining effectiveness of the remediation to students. No public school student shall be promoted to a higher grade level unless that student has a reading ability level at or above one grade level below the student's grade level. Title: **H.B. 889 District Promotion/Remediation Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Creates a Parents as Teachers Pilot Program to create a partnership between parents and early childhood development professionals; provides there shall be two school district-based programs, one in an urban community and one in a rural community in Sullivan county. Title: **S.B. 170 Parents as Teachers Pilot Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to educational standards; provides for remediation and academic improvement programs; restricts promotions; provides for parental involvement. Title: **H.B. 78 Standards, Remediation, Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor June 00	Enacts the Parent Involvement in Their Children's Education Act; establishes a framework for encouragement of increased parental involvement in the education of their children, for parental involvement training for educators and school staff, for parental responsibilities for their child's academic success, and for efforts to increase parent-teacher contacts. Title: **S.B. 1164 Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Urges employers to excuse employees from work to attend parent-teacher conferences when given 24 hour notice. Title: **H.J.R. 56 Excusal for Parents to Attend Parent-Teacher Conferences** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for increased "parents rights" in the realm of public education. The new law states that parents have the right to "... control the care, supervision, upbringing and education of their children... " When a new policy or rule is adopted by the state board of education it must include a report detailing its impact on these parents' rights. In addition, this new law states that schools are prohibited from requiring in-home educational or parenting programs without parental permission.

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		Title: **H.B. 102 Parent Rights** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that the juvenile and domestic relations court, upon finding that a parent has willfully and unreasonably failed to accompany a suspended student to meet with school officials to discuss improving the student's behavior or upon the student's receiving a second suspension or being expelled, may order the student and his parent to participate in such programs or treatment as the court deems appropriate to improve the student's behavior. Title: **H.B. 1147 Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Conforms current law to the requirements of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) by directing schools to annually notify parents of students currently enrolled and in attendance of their rights under FERPA and related regulations. Title: **H.B. 536 Parent Rights** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires notification to parents of school courses leading to college credit; requires that each high school shall publish annually and deliver to each parent with children enrolled in school information concerning the entrance requirements and the availability in school of programs leading to college credit, such as Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs. Title: **S.B. 6559 Notification to Parents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Defines "parent" to mean any of the following: biological parent; husband who has consented to the artificial insemination of his wife; male who is presumed to be the child's father under section 891.41; male who has been adjudicated as the child's father by final order or judgment of an Indian tribal court of competent jurisdiction or by final order or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction in another state; adoptive parent; legal guardian; person acting as a parent of a child; person appointed as a sustaining parent under section 48.428; or person assigned as a surrogate parent. "Parent" does not include any of the following: Person whose parental rights have been terminated; the state; a county or a child welfare agency, if child was made a ward of the state, county or child welfare agency under ch. 880 or if a child has been placed in the legal custody or guardianship of the state, county or child welfare agency under ch. 48 or ch. 767; or an American Indian tribal agency if the child was made a ward of the agency or placed in the legal custody or guardianship of the agency. Title: **A.B. 412 Modifies Definition of Parent** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Politics		
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to direct-support organizations; prohibits university, community college, and statewide community college direct-support organizations from making certain political contributions. Title: **S.B. 890 Prohibits Colleges/Universities from Political Contributions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor May-00	Requires, no later than 08/01/01, local school boards to develop and implement policies to ensure that public school students are not required to convey or deliver any materials that advocate the election or defeat of any candidate for elective office, advocate that passage or defeat of any referendum question, or advocate the passage or defeat of any matter pending before a local school board, local governing body or the General Assembly or Congress.

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		Title: **H.B. 1541 Student Involvement in Politics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Postsecondary		
AL	Vetoed May-00	Exempts from competitive bidding the renewal of all existing contracts that do not involve the expenditure of state funds and that are made for the selection of service contractors by or on behalf of public two- and four-year colleges and universities of the state. Title: **S.B. 478 Exemptions for Competitive Bidding by Postsecondary Institutions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the Regents of the University of California to establish three California Institutes for Science and Innovation for the purpose of combining technological and scientific research and training and educating future scientists and technological leaders. Title: **A.B. 2883 Science/Tech Training** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to financial assistance for higher education; creates an annual legislative essay scholarship fund that will fund a nonrenewable scholarship to a 12th grader in each senatorial and representative district as well as three other scholarships to the top three district historic essay writers; states the Delaware Higher Education Commission shall administer the fund. Title: **H.B. 545 State Scholarship Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to direct-support organizations; prohibits university, community college, and statewide community college direct-support organizations from making certain political contributions. Title: **S.B. 890 Prohibits Colleges/Universities from Political Contributions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to rulemaking authority within the state university system; clarifies the rulemaking authority of the Board of Regents; authorizes a differential out-of-state tuition fee for certain universities; authorizes each university president to adopt rules governing the operation of the university; relates to university-owned patents, copyrights and trademarks; revises admissions standards; requires submission of a test score. Title: **H.B. 1567 Out-of-State Tuition Reduction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Provides the University of Hawaii with autonomy in all matters related to the university. Title: **S.B. 539 Autonomy for the University of Hawaii** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes a postsecondary education benefits program, known as the Bridge to Hope Program, for heads of households in the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program; requires the University of Hawaii to submit a report on the expenditure of funds for the program to the legislature prior to the convening of the regular 2001 session. Title: **S.B. 3123 Higher Education Benefits Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides a wider variety of options to high school pupils by encouraging and enabling students to enroll in career and technical preparation programs at eligible nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions. Provides for dual enrollment options for career and technical preparation programs; establishes these programs

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		for certain students in state schools; prescribes certain duties of public schools and certain postsecondary institutions; prescribes certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials and agencies; repeals acts and parts of acts. Title: **H.B. 5534 Dual Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Vetoed Jul-00	Makes several changes in the operations of the governing bodies of public colleges and universities, and provides for technical clarification in the statutes relating to these governing boards; includes a technical change to clarify that the board of curators at the University of Missouri and the seven regional schools may exclude a student representative to the board from a closed meeting, if the voting board members unanimously vote to do so. Title: **H.B. 1396 Governing Bodies of Public Colleges and Universities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[OKLAHOMA STATE QUESTION 686 (SB 151-2000)]; Amends the State Constitution; relates to the state budget; allows state colleges and universities to make contracts with presidents for more than one year but not more than three years; deletes obsolete language. Title: **V. 3 College/University Presidents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Advisory Committee to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Its purpose is, through a partnership of higher education institutions, independent research entities, industry and state government, to enhance scientific and engineering research and development conducted at universities in the state and to enhance the success of Oklahoma researchers in federal award competitions. Title: **H.B. 2532 Enhances Research** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to revenue and taxation and higher education. Appropriates to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education $634,890,903 from the general fund to increase faculty salaries 3% and to correct deferred maintenance in public postsecondary institutions throughout the state. Title: **S.B. 984 Appropriations for Postsecondary and H.B. 2249 Postsecondary Capital Construction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to exemption from motor vehicle and travel rules, goals for postsecondary education, retirement and separation incentives; defines terms; relates to compact with higher education, institutional compacts, peer institutions, legislative financing goals, financing, base funding, additi onal funding, statewide task force on teacher quality, statewide task force on student financial aid and graduate education. Title: **S.B. 653 Teacher Quality, Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Postsecondary – Academic Issues		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to viability and nonviability of programs of instruction as reviewed by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education; provides that students completing certain programs of instruction in two-year technical and vocational colleges shall be deemed graduates for the purposes of determining viability standards of the program. Title: **S.B. 356 Students at Two-Year Institutions Deemed Graduates** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by	Relates to costs and revenues of intellectual property created by certain state

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	governor Apr-00	universities. Title: **S.B. 1554 Intellectual Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the Colorado Commission on Higher Education to adopt, and the governing boards of state institutions of higher education to implement, standards and procedures whereby basic skills courses may be offered by such institutions; directs the commission to require each student admitted to a state institution of higher education pursuant to alternative admissions criteria be tested to determine if the student is proficient in the skills generally needed to perform college work. Title: **H.B. 1464 Basic Skills Courses and Proficiency for Postsecondary Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Permits the Board of Trustees of a state college or university to establish rules that describe circumstances in which an employee of that institution may solicit or may be given a financial interest in any firm, corporation or other association to which the board has assigned, licensed, transferred or sold the institution's interest in discoveries, inventions, intellectual property or patents resulting from research; prescribes coordination with the Ethics Commission. Title: **S.B. 286 Intellectual Property, Institutional Interest** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Pertains to the University of Tennessee; provides that copyrighted computer materials held by the university are not open to public inspection; provides that such materials produced by university employees are open to audit inspections. Title: **H.B. 2770 Intellectual Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Modifies certain procedures for protecting confidential research records and materials handled by higher education. Title: **H.B. 2769 Confidential Research Records - Procedures** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Private Schools/Colleges		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to industrial development financing; makes private school eligible for funding. Title: **H.B. 2282 Private School Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Arizona State Board of Private Postsecondary Education. One component requires the board to (1) administer the student tuition recovery fund; (2) receive claims against the fund from persons injured and provide students' educational records from closed institutions; (3) determine the amount of monies to be drawn to administer fund; (4) deduct reasonable costs for any of the following: (a) seizing student records from a closed school; (b) processing student record requests; (c) reimbursing the board of a third party. Title: **H.B. 2223 Governance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Amends a section of law by confirming the corporations which may conduct private business or trade schools only with the approval of the Department of Education; requires that these schools obtain the Department of Education's approval before filing for an original or amended certificate of incorporation from the Secretary of State. Title: **S.B. 406 Approval of Private Trade/Business Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority; expands the definition of college to include postsecondary educational institutions accredited by all regional accrediting associations. Title: **H.B. 44 Defines College** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Requires a board of education providing certain services to nonpublic school pupils to provide consultation with representatives of the nonpublic school on any change in the provision of services; includes special education, speech therapy, bilingual education and remedial education services. Title: **A.B. 3270 Services to Nonpublic Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Sets budget limits for the Oklahoma Board for Private Vocational Schools (salary of director, number of staff, etc.) and requires evaluation. Title: **S.B. 928 Board for Private Vocational Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows teachers at nonpublic schools to receive professional licensure on same basis as similarly qualified public school teachers. Title: **H.B. 2680 Nonpublic School Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides that the Board of Education recognize, for purposes of facilitating the transfer of academic credits for students who have attended private schools and are now enrolling in public schools and to satisfy the accreditation requirement for an exemption from licensure for certain child day programs, those private nursery, preschool, elementary and secondary schools accredited by an organization approved by the Virginia Council for Private Education. Title: **H.B. 987 Transfer of Credits, Accreditation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Became law without governor's signature May-00	Establishes a Vermont Independent School Financing Authority to assist with the issuing of capital bonds for use by independent public high schools. Title: **S.B. 146 Vermont Independent School Financing Authority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to private school licensing; imposes additional licensing requirements upon postsecondary education institutions subject to licensure; prohibits specified practices; requires disclosure. Title: **S.B. 26 Private School Licensing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Privatization		
AL	Vetoed May-00	Exempts from competitive bidding the renewal of all existing contracts that do not involve the expenditure of state funds and that are made for the selection of service contractors by or on behalf of public two- and four-year colleges and universities of the state. Title: **S.B. 478 Exemptions for Competitive Bidding by Postsecondary Institutions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Sep-99	[Chapter No. 374]; Prohibits the governing board of a school district from entering into a contract that grants exclusive advertising rights or grants the r ight to the exclusive sale of carbonated beverages throughout the district to a person, business or corporation, unless the governing board of the school district has adopted a policy after a public hearing to ensure that the district has internal controls in place regarding the expenditure of public funds.

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		Title: **A.B. 117 Contracting with Companies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Sep-99	[Chapter No. 276]; Requires instructional materials to use proper grammar and spelling, except as specified; adds to specified criteria concerning determinations by the superintendent of public instruction that materials do not contain illustrations providing unnecessary exposure to a commercial brand name, product, or corporate or company logos, unless specific finding concerning their appropriateness. Title: **A.B. 116 Instructional Materials Connected to Commercial Entities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Relates to curriculum; permits the display of televised commercial advertising necessarily incidental to Internet access. Title: **H.B. 6893 Commercial Advertising on Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Allows municipal committees to promulgate rules and regulations permitting fundraising activities by public schools; enhances prohibition against school employees accepting money for tutoring students under their instruction during the school year; prohibits the selling of commercial goods or services to students in public schools or on public school property. Title: **H.B. 6927, S.B. 2139 Commercialization** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Professional Development		
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates a grant program to assist public schools in implementing teacher development activities that are school based and focus on developing skills in instructing students in reading, writing, mathematics and science. Title: **H.B. 1173 Grant Program for Teacher Professional Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Allows one local school district the ability to pilot a professional development and/or evaluation plan. Title: **S.B. 343 Professional Development/Evaluation Pilot** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act. Beginning in 2002, at least 20% of educator's performance evaluation will be tied to student improvement – teachers and administrators who fail to measure up can be dismissed. Establishes more rigorous system of professional development, teaching standards, licensure and certification requirements; expands the salary system to include compensations for skills and knowledge. Encourages focused, career-long professional development and compensates teachers for additional responsibilities or becoming National Board certified. Title: **S.B. 260 Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Lowers funding for staff and professional development from 1.5% of salaries to 1%. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Professional Development Funding** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates Promise Scholarships in teacher education for paraprofessionals and instructional aides who were employed in a public school in Georgia throughout the 1999-2000 school year. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Scholarships for Paraprofessionals**

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		Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the Middle School Mathematics Professional Development Fund to provide monies to teachers of middle school mathematics for tuition reimbursements and stipends for approved university and college courses, approved professional development programs and preparation for certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Title: **S.B. 77 Professional Development Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits teachers and employees in the state and locally operated secondary area technology centers to earn up to six college credits per term in tuition-free courses at public postsecondary institutions. Title: **S.B. 240 Tuition-Free Courses for Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Increases the general education formula allowance by $39, from $3,925 to $3,964 per adjusted marginal cost pupil unit, beginning in FY 2001. Increases the amount of basic revenue a district must reserve for staff development from 1% to 2%. Clarifies that basic revenue equals the product of the formula allowance times the adjusted marginal cost pupil units. Title: **H.B. 3800 Professional Development Funding** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes this project in the Department of Children, Families and Learning to retain new teachers in the profession and to provide models for professional development. A school district with an approved new teacher plan is eligible to receive $3,000 of state money for each new teacher participant. The district must contribute $2,000 for each new teacher participant. An allocation of $1 million is from appropriations for Best Practices Seminars. Title: **H.B. 3800 Minnesota New Teacher Project** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes and implements a superior-performing and exemplary-schools program for identifying and granting financial incentives to low-performing schools that improve and to the highest-performing schools in their classification; provides for school improvement plans for priority schools and the appointment of assistance teams; provides professional development and evaluation of principals, teachers and superintendents; raises salaries for teachers and assistant teachers. Title: **H.B. 1134 Financial Incentives for Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jul-00	Authorizes a substitute teacher who holds a lapsed or expired certificate or has a bachelors degree to teach up to 100 days during a school year. Removes all limits on number of days a certified substitute teacher can teach. Removes the prohibition on paying stipends to teachers who attend professional development institutes in reading. Authorizes teacher preparation commission to pay all stipends. Title: **H.B. 2000 Substitute Teachers** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Provides continued support of elementary school reading professional development institutes through ongoing teacher development at individual school sites. Funds may be used for the cost of mentor training, payment for substitute teachers, on-site facilitation, and any other costs necessary to ensure improved reading by students. If a teacher attends and completes a professional development institute in elementary reading approved by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation during the summer or when school is not in session, the teacher shall receive a stipend equal to the amount of the cost for a substitute teacher, based on the amount of funds allocated.

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		Title: **H.B. 2000 Professional Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows a school district to pay for attendance of school district employees at classes or workshops conducted by a company that employs one or more of the school district employees to conduct the classes or workshops. Title: **H.B. 2506 Attendance at Classes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to the State-Wide Reading Success Institute for training teachers. Title: **H.B. 7735 Reading Success Institute** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows exceptional faculty awards to be used for faculty development and inservice training; relates to colleges. Title: **S.B. 6770 Faculty Awards Tied to Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Promotion/Retention/Completion		
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Ends social promotion – beginning in 2002, students reading below the standard in 3rd, 5th and 8th grades will be required to attend summer school and me et standard to move to next grade. Same provisions apply to 8th graders for math. Students not meeting standards will receive mandatory individual improvement plans (some state funds available for extra time instruction). Future students must demonstrate they meet 10th grade standards in language arts and math to receive academic diploma. Title: **S.B. 260 Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the Education, Assessment, and Accountability Review Subcommittee to study the issues of adequate preparation of students for promotion to higher grades, the establishment of appropriate educational criteria for entrance into higher grades and remediation rates of entering postsecondary students. Title: **H.C.R. 88 Committee to Study the Adequate Preparation of Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that school districts may adopt student promotion policies which require remediation as a condition of promotion of student not mastering grade-level skills and competencies as established by local board. Districts also may require parents or guardians of such students to commit to home-based tutorial activities with their children. Remediation may include mandatory summer school program. School districts providing remediation outside of the traditional school day may count extra hours of instruction in the calculation of average daily attendance. The state board shall establish a method for determining effectiveness of the remediation to students. No public school student shall be promoted to a higher grade level unless that student has a reading ability level at or above one grade level below the student's grade level. Title: **H.B. 889 District Promotion/Remediation Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to educational standards; provides for remediation and academic improvement programs; restricts promotions; provides for parental involvement. Title: **H.B. 78 Standards, Remediation, Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor	Puts into legislation recommendations of Task Force on Learning Standards and Accountability in Public Education created by 1999 legislation. Creates both norm-referenced and criterion-referenced tests for students in most grades; writing

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		assessments for students in grades 6 and 9; and 10th-grade basic skills competency test. Test results shall identify schools for assistance starting in 2003-04. State Board also shall develop school performance report to provide information, including U-PASS scores, for every public school in the state. The task force also shall seek public input on a possible system of rewards and interventions and on discontinuing social promotion. Task force shall present report by November 30, 2000. Title: **H.B. 177 Establishment of U-PASS Assessment Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires Board of Education to establish requirements to facilitate acceleration of students who are qualified under Standards of Learning assessment to sit for relevant test and to obtain credit, including verified credit upon achieving a passing score. Title: **H.B. 1196 Accelerated Learning** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Public Engagement		
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates community and faith-based organizations initiative within Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; provides for initiative to promote community development through partnerships with community and faith-based organizations; specifies activities to be conducted by initiative; provides for financial assistance to community and faith-based organizations; requires the development of grant-selection criteria. Title: **S.B. 406 Community and Faith-Based Cooperation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Expands the reporting requirement for the Education Employee's Grievance Board. The information in the board's quarterly reports should now include: number of grievances filed, number of grievances granted and number denied. Title: **H.B. 4785 Grievance Procedures** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Reading		
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns the creation of the Learning Improvement Grant Program for public schools in the Department of Education. The program, also referred to as Read-To-Achieve, provides grants to schools to improve reading at the early elementary grades. This bill creates the Read-To-Achieve Board, which will, among other duties, establish criteria for awarding grants for the program. Title: **H.B. 1136 Read-To-Achieve Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns literacy in early elementary grades; establishes and appropriates funds for a Read-To-Achieve Program. Under this program, any public school, including a charter school, may apply for grants to fund intensive reading programs for 2nd and 3rd graders and pupils between 3rd and 4th grade whose literacy and reading comprehension skills are below the level established by the State Board of Education. Title: **S.B. 124 Read-To-Achieve** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that an individual seeking licensure as an elementary teacher must demonstrate proficiency in comprehensive reading instruction skills, including phonemic awareness and phonic instruction, through a written examination or other procedures prescribed by the professional standards board. Title: **S.B. 352 Proficiency in Reading Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the State Board of Education to distribute grants to organizations that promote literacy at an early age during child health visits to a pediatrician; requires an organization that is awarded a grant to use the grant to purchase bo oks and train health care providers; requires the governor to include funding for the grants in the state budget; requires the state board to adopt regulations to implement the act. Title: **H.B. 1172, S.B. 750 Early Literacy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that beginning July 1, 2000, school districts that provide reading improvement instruction for K-3 students who fall below the district's objectives for reading on the district's chosen reading assessment, may count such students for additional average daily attendance for state aid if such time falls outside normal school hours. This instruction may take the form of summer school. Beginning July 1, 2000, the Department of Education shall provide a four-year competitive matching grant program at the district and building levels to help pay for reading assessments and teacher and administrator training in the use of reading assessments and early reading intervention strategies. Grantee shall show improvement of students in the reading instruction improvement program after year two of the grant in order to be eligible for funds for years three and four. Grants are renewable for an additional four-year term, based in part upon the results of the first grant. In addition, the st ate board shall develop a list of recommended reading assessments for pupils in kindergarten through grade 3 by July 1, 2000. Such assessments shall have a demonstrated effectiveness based on research. Title: **H.B. 889 "Read to Be Ready" Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	Establishes, beginning with the 1999-2000 school year, a pilot project of explicit phonics instruction for students through 3rd grade in each subdistrict in each metropolitan school district. Title: **H.B. 889 Pilot Phonics Instruction in Metropolitan Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Apr-00	Improves student reading proficiencies; creates a statewide reading initiative; creates the Public School Reading Proficiency Fund. Title: **H.B. 8A Reading Initiative** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Vetoed Mar-00	Provides for an early literacy program in the public schools; makes an appropriation. Title: **H.B. 28 Early Literacy Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Vetoed Jun-00	Creates the Partnership for School Readiness Act to facilitate community collaboration of efforts and services that will prepare children to enter school healthy and ready to success. Goal is also to stress importance of reading to children for 15 minutes per day. Creates an advisory board. Up to six pilot projects (rural and urban) to be selected. Title: **S.B. 1597 Partnership for School Readiness** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Provides continued support of elementary school reading professional development institutes through ongoing teacher development at individual school sites. Funds may be used for the cost of mentor training, payment for substitute teachers, on-site facilitation, and any other costs necessary to ensure improved reading by students. If a teacher attends and completes a professional development institute in elementary reading approved by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation during the summer or when school is not in session, the teacher shall

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		receive a stipend equal to the amount of the cost for a substitute teacher, based on the amount of funds allocated. Title: **H.B. 2000 Professional Development** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	Recreates the Literacy Initiatives Commission. Title: **H.B. 1850 Literacy Initiatives Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to the State-Wide Reading Success Institute for training teachers. Title: **H.B. 7735 Reading Success Institute** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires certain actions by State Department of Education, State Board of Education and Higher Education Commission to improve teaching of reading and literacy in Tennessee. Title: **S.B. 2485 Improvement of Reading Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates a reading performance improvement scholarship program to assist selected elementary teachers in obtaining a reading endorsement. Title: **H.B. 397 Incentive for Reading Endorsement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Religion		
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates community and faith-based organizations initiative within Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; provides for initiative to promote community development through partnerships with community and faith-based organizations; specifies activities to be conducted by initiative; provides for financial assistance to community and faith-based organizations; requires the development of grant-selection criteria. Title: **S.B. 406 Community and Faith-Based Cooperation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Authorizes the display of the Ten Commandments on real property owned by the state or a political subdivision as part of an exhibit displaying other documents of historical significance that formed and influenced the United States' legal or governmental system. Title: **H.B. 1180 Ten Commandments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requests the Kentucky Board of Education to encourage teachers and school administrators to post and teach from historic displays of original documents reflecting American history, which may include the Ten Commandments; permits cost of posting and maintaining displays to be defrayed in whole or part by voluntary private contributions. Title: **S.J.R. 57 Ten Commandments and Other Historical Documents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits schools to display the Ten Commandments. Title: **H.B. 1261 Ten Commandments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor May-00	Revises the current law authorizing school boards to establish moments of silence for meditation, prayer or other silent activity to require daily observation of a period of silent meditation, prayer or reflection, not to exceed one minute, in every classroom in the public schools.

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		Title: **S.B. 209 Moment of Silence/Prayer** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Remediation		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the assessment of student achievement in the public schools; removes the requirement that the board implement a nationally normed test in specified grades; requires that the board implement an assessment program in specified grades, and assessment and remediation program in specified grades to prepare for the graduation examination. Title: **S.B. 551 State Assessment Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Department of Education to establish an Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards Intervention and Dropout Prevention Program and to develop the program's procedure and guidelines; establishes requirements for the service providers to receive monies for participation in the program. Title: **H.B. 2405 Dropout Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Deletes a school district's authority to require retained pupils to participate in direct, systematic and intensive supplemental instruction, the funding cap, the requirement that the supplemental instruction be direct, systematic and intensive, and a mechanism for a parent or guardian to decline to enroll their child in the program; effective until January 1, 2004. Title: **S.B. 410 Authority to Require Supplemental Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the Education, Assessment, and Accountability Review Subcommittee to study the issues of adequate preparation of students for promotion to higher grades, the establishment of appropriate educational criteria for entrance into higher grades and remediation rates of entering postsecondary students. Title: **H.C.R. 88 Committee to Study the Adequate Preparation of Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Kentucky Early Mathematics Testing Program, located at a public university, to provide information to high school sophomores and juniors regarding their level of mathematics knowledge in relation to college standards in order to encourage students to take additional high school mathematics courses and reduce the number of students needing mathematics remediation in college. Title: **H.B. 178 Early Feedback in Mathematics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Defines "Academic Intervention Programs" as those taking place before or after school, or on weekends, during holidays, vacations or summer break. Provides grants to county boards for programs meeting certain criteria. Requires evaluation of the status and success on an individual program and statewide basis. Title: **S.B. 810 Section 2: Academic Intervention Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that school districts may adopt student promotion policies which require remediation as a condition of promotion of student not mastering grade-level skills and competencies as established by local board. Districts also may require parents or guardians of such students to commit to home-based tutorial activities with their children. Remediation may include mandatory summer school program. School districts providing remediation outside of the traditional school day may count extra hours of instruction in the calculation of average daily attendance. The state board shall establish a method for determining effectiveness of the remediation to students. No public school student shall be promoted to a higher grade level unless that student has a reading ability level at or above one grade level below the

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		student's grade level. Title: **H.B. 889 District Promotion/Remediation Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to educational standards; provides for remediation and academic improvement programs; restricts promotions; provides for parental involvement. Title: **H.B. 78 Standards, Remediation, Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the presumption that students will pay the fees associated with courses they are repeating or remediation; provides alternatives to waiving the fees in cases of financial hardship; provides for a partial or full waiver in cases of extreme hardship. Title: **S.B. 146 Fees for Repeated Classes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Clarifies that educational remediation programs shall be evaluated on the basis of the pass rate on the Standards of Learning assessments; requires that the Board of Education promulgate regulations establishing standards for remediation programs. Title: **H.B. 975 Evaluation of Remediation Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Rearranges paragraphs of the Standards of Quality pertaining to remediation programs and requirements in order to provide consistency, clarity and readability; clarifies that any student who does not pass literacy tests or any of the Standards of Learning assessments in grades 3, 5 or 8 must be required to attend a summer school program or to participate in another form of remediation and that any student who passes one or more, but not all, may attend a remediation program. Title: **H.B. 1353 Remediation, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Became law without governor's signature Apr-00	Relates to the Innovative Remedial Education Pilot Program; changes the date for which the first awards must be made to approved pilot programs to 01/01/2001; and makes technical changes. Title: **H.B. 1355 Grants for Remedial Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Safety/Crime/Violence		
AK	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a school disciplinary and safety program; requires the reporting of information relating to school disciplinary and safety programs, and of incidents of disruptive or violent behavior. Title: **H.B. 253 Safety Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Dec-99	Creates the School Violence Joint Interim Legislative Committee. Title: **S.B. 16B Special Committee on School Violence** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor Dec-99	Creates the School Violence Joint Interim Legislative Committee. Title: **S.J.R. 30B Special Committee on School Violence** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Classifies threats of physical injury or damage to property made in regards to teachers, students or school property as a Class 5 felony and requires school district governing boards to report any suspected crimes or threatening incidents. Title: **S.B. 1559 Threats** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Provides that, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, an inmate released on parole for a violation of crimes of lewd or lascivious acts on a child or continuing sexual abuse of a child shall not be placed or reside, for the duration of the period of parole, within 1/4 miles of any school that includes any or all grades kindergarten to 6, inclusive. Title: **A.B. 1988 Not Allowing Parolees To Live Near Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 648]; Requires the State Board of Education to adopt regulations to require a passenger in a school bus equipped with passenger-restraint systems, as specified, to use a passenger-restraint system so that the passenger is properly restrained; requires that school buses manufactured on or after 1/1/02, purchased or leased in this state, have a "passenger -restraint system," as specified, at all designated seating positions. Title: **A.B. 15 Seat Belts for School Buses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 872]; Relates to the Interagency School Safety Demonstration Act of 1985 which establishes the School/Law Enforcement Partnership comprised of the superintendent of public instruction and the attorney general. Requires the partnership to discuss with providers of telephone equipment and services, and to acquire information regarding, the availability of no-cost or reduced-cost cellular telephones and services to be provided on a statewide basis toeach public school teacher, for specified uses. Title: **A.B. 1154 School/Law Enforcement Partnership** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 1013]; Provides that any minor over age 16 or adult who is not a pupil at a school and interferes with any school activity is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year or both; provides for certain minimum periods of imprisonment for subsequent offenses; provides that terrorist threats against any school personnel shall have an additional punishment of 1-3 years in state prison or fine or both. Title: **S.B. 570 Sanctions for Non-Enrolled Troublemakers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Prohibits the governing board of a school district from causing a video or surveillance camera to be installed and operated in any place on a school-site unless the board first adopts a policy concerning the installation and operation of video or surveillance cameras; requires that policy contain a stated purpose for the need to conduct surveillance at a schoolsite. Title: **A.B. 614 Video Surveillance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Centers on a conduct and discipline code with identified violations to result in actions taken. Forms the basis for annual reporting to local board and state department. Addresses juvenile delinquency records of students and "pertinent performance record or disciplinary record" of a teacher applying for a position. Requires districts to adopt policies for students at risk of suspension/expulsion and to devise plans necessary to intervene prior to those actions. Expands grounds for suspension, expulsion and denial of admission to include students declared "habitually disruptive." Redefines "rights of free expression for public school students" to clarify and more clearly define threats to safety or threats of violence to property or persons. Title: **S.B. 133 Safe Schools** Source: *Colorado Association of School Executives*
CO	Signed by	Concerns safe schools; requires each school district to adopt and implement a safe

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	governor Jun-00	schools plan that includes a conduct and discipline code, reporting requirements, agreements with state agencies, safety site standards, open school policies, employee screenings and good faith immunity; provides for access to juvenile court records for school principals regarding enrolled students; provides funding to public, private and charter schools and regional boards for at-risk student programs. Title: **S.B. 133 Comprehensive School Safety Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns the exchange of information related to children; authorizes an exchange of information between schools and law enforcement agencies; allows any criminal justice agency or assessment center for children in the state to release any information or records that the agency or center may have concerning a specific child to the principal of the school, or such person's designee, at which the child is or will be enrolled as a student. Title: **H.B. 1119 Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to school safety and student discipline; revises the definition of suspension; revises data used to determine school's performance grade category; revises information required to be included in student code of conduct; specifies types of drills and emergencies for which district school boards are required to develop procedures; requires district school boards to establish model emergency management and emergency preparedness procedures. Title: **S.B. 852 Changing the Rules for School Discipline** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to warrants for arrest; provides that any warrant for the arrest of a teacher or school administrator for any offense alleged to have been committed while in the performance of his or her duties may be issued only by a judge of a superior court, a judge of a state court or a judge of a probate court. Title: **S.B. 27 Arrest of School Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Act No. 475]; Relates to certain educational programs; requires the Department of Education to develop a rape prevention and personal safety education program for grades 8-12; provides that local boards of education may implement such programs; requires the state board to make information regarding such program available to the Board of Regents of the University of Georgia. Title: **H.B. 171 Rape Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to public school disciplinary tribunals; requires local school system receiving certain state education funds to suspend for the remainder of the school year a student who commits any act of violence resulting in substantial injury to a teacher; provides for a disciplinary hearing regarding the suspension to provide that such a student shall not be eligible for enrollment in public education programs. Title: **S.B. 401 Disciplinary Tribunals** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends zero tolerance policy by allowing suspension of a student who attends school or a department-supervised activity, whether on or off school premises, after consuming intoxicating liquor. Title: **S.B. 3038 Amending Zero-Tolerance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor	Amends the offense of criminal trespass in the first degree in this way: for occurrences on school property, between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., the request to

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	Jun-00	leave the premises will not be required prior to arresting a person who enters or remains unlawfully. Title: **S.B. 3079 Trespassing on School Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to school violence; provides civil criminal immunity for a school employee; relates to the employee's participation in reporting and investigating violence, threats of violence or other inappropriate activity against a school employee or student in a school building, on school grounds or at a school-sponsored function. Title: **H.B. 2473 Immunity for School Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Amends existing law to provide that it shall be unlawful for any person to possess a firearm or other deadly or dangerous weapon while on the property of a school or other structure on school grounds being used for an activity sponsored through a school in this state; provides application to students of schools who are off school property; defines terms; provides for the search of students or minors; provides exceptions; provides penalties. Title: **H.B. 444 Firearms on School Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jul-00	Amends the Criminal Code of 1961; prohibits child sex offenders from residing within 500 feet of a school attended by persons under 18 years of age, a playground or a facility providing programs or services exclusively directed toward persons under 18 years of age; exempts child sex offenders who owned the property where they reside before the effective date of this amendatory act; provides that the new offenses only apply to child sex offenders who have committed certain sex offenses. Title: **H.B. 4045 Keeping Sex Offenders Away From Children** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Vetoed Jul-00	Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and the Unified Code of Corrections; provides that a minor who is placed on probation or supervision, with the consent of the chief administrative officer of the facility, may be required to attend an educational program at a facility other than the school where the offense was committed if the minor was convicted of or placed on supervision for a crime of violence committed in a school. Title: **S.B. 1426 Alternative Education for Violent Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act No. 91-4587]; Amends the School Code to provide that the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall provide funding for school report cards and criminal background investigations; adds the Summer Bridges Program to the programs included in the General Education Block Grant. Title: **H.B. 4587 Safety, School Report Cards, Background Checks, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Vetoed Nov-99	Amends the School Code, the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, and the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963; requires a principal to place a student found to be knowingly in possession of a firearm in a school, on school property or at a school-sponsored activity or event into the custody of a local law enforcement agency; requires the law enforcement agency to sign a criminal complaint against the student; makes changes concerning notification procedures; imposes certain criminal penalties. Title: **S.B. 756 Possession of Firearms**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the earthquake emergency procedure system in schools; includes preparedness for tornadoes in the procedures; requires a designated "safe area" defined as an enclosed area with no windows; requires a drop procedure and safe area evacuation practice at least twice ea n school year. Title: **S.B. 229 Earthquake Emergency Drills** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires a local board of education to develop a policy regarding the possession and use of personal telecommunications devices by a student on school property or at a school-related activity; deletes language prohibiting the possession and use of a paging device by a student on school property or at a school-related activity. Title: **H.B. 266 Paging Devices** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 1305]; Creates a grant program within the Department of Education to encourage conflict resolution education programs in public elementary and secondary schools; allows peer mediation programs and may be directed at students and teachers, administrators and other staff. Title: **H.B. 928 Conflict Resolution Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Public Law No. 595, (LD 1933)]; Allows a juvenile's school to disseminate information about the juvenile to the court and a criminal justice agency under certain conditions; provides that information remains confidential and may not be further disseminated. Title: **S.B. 687 Transfer of Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to criminal procedure; regards arrests; allows arrest without a warrant for crimes of threatening to damage or destroy school property or threatening to kill or injure school students or school personnel. Title: **S.B. 1222 School Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act 87]; Relates to elementary and secondary education; provides for policies on school locker searches. Title: **H.B. 5233 School Locker Searches** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to crime; authorizes certain behavioral data on students to be disclosed to the juvenile justice system; provides for data sharing between probation officers and school officials for juveniles on probation; provides that when a juvenile has been adjudicated delinquent for certain violations of criminal law that the disposition order shall be shared with certain school officials, law enforcement and specified others. Title: **H.B. 2833 Records Sharing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Allows the use of reasonable force by a teacher, school employee, bus driver or other agent of a school district when it is necessary under the circumstances to restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another. This does not authorize corporal punishment, which is prohibited by M.S. 121A.58, or aversive and deprivation procedures, which are prohibited by M.S. 121A.67. Provides a defense against civil action for damages under M.S. 123B.25 ("Legal Actions Against Districts and Teachers") when reasonable force is used within the lawful authority of a teacher, school employee, school bus driver, or school employee. Likewise provides for a defense against criminal prosecution under M.S. 609.06,

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		Subd. 1 ("Authorized Use of Force") when reasonable force is used within the lawful authority of a teacher, school employee, school bus driver or other agent of a school district. Title: **H.B. 3800 Use of Reasonable Force by Teacher** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Permits a school district to refuse to open enroll a student during the term of his or her expulsion if the student was expelled for: (1) possessing a dangerous weapon; (2) possessing or using illegal drugs at school or a school function; (3) selling or soliciting sale of a controlled substance while at school or a school function; or (4) committing a third-degree assault. Effective for the 2000-01 school year and later. Title: **H.B. 3800 Districts May Refuse to Open Enroll Student** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Clarifies the authority of school superintendents, principals and school boards to suspend, expel or change the placement of pupils for conduct that renders a pupil's presence in the classroom detrimental to the school's educational environment or the best interest of a class as a whole; authorizes the referral of such pupils to an alternative school program. Title: **H.B. 776 Suspension, Expulsion, Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires school security personnel and employees exercising the powers of a peace officer to receive a minimum level of basic law enforcement training; requires the Board on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Training, acting jointly with the State Board of Education, to prescribe the required minimum training level for such persons. Title: **H.B. 1039 Security Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Specifies that prohibitions on student possession of weapons, as well as controlled substances, shall apply to the school playground or parking lot, school bus or school activity whether on or off the school property; requires that the information annually reported by school districts shall include the rates and durations of and reasons for suspensions or expulsions. Title: **S.B. 944 Weapons on School Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Changes the reporting requirements for teachers or school administrators who witness or have information concerning acts of theft, destruction or violence by students. Title: **H.B. 683 Reporting Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor May-00	Adopts the Public School Safety and Violence Prevention Act of 2000; requires each local school board to adopt a pupil safety and violence prevention policy which addresses pupil harassment; indemnifies school employees who report incidents of harassment from certain causes of action. Title: **S.B. 360 Public School Safety and Violence Prevention Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires installation of automatic fire suppression systems in all dormitories at public or private institutions of higher education. Title: **S.B. 891 Fire Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor	Relates to project SAVE (Schools Against Violence in Education); relates to students and student discipline; relates to improving school safety; relates to

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	Jul-00	directing courts to provide schools with notification of criminal and juvenile delinquency adjudications against students; relates to the regulation of conduct on school grounds or school district property. Title: **S.B. 8236 Project SAVE** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Vetoed Dec-99	Provides for firearm accident prevention instruction for children in pre-kindergarten through 6th grade by promoting a safety message: "STOP! Dont touch; leave the area; tell an adult"; authorizes the Departm ent of Environmental Conservation to implement a firearm accident prevention program for such children and make it available to pre-kindergartens, elementary schools, youth programs, summer camps and daycare centers. Title: **A.B. 2045 Firearm Accident Prevention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Oct-99	Proscribes conduct constituting falsely reporting an alleged occurrence or impending occurrence of an explosion or the release of a hazardous substance on school grounds; expands scope of offense of placing a false bomb; amends provisions dealing with juveniles committing these offenses. Title: **A.B. 9038 False Reports in Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Apr-00	States legislative intent to address school violence through prevention. Authorizes districts to contract with nonprofit agencies or community-based service providers for the appropriate personnel and services and to seek any available funding, including the use of Medicaid funds through targeted case management, and other funds which may be available for related services. Encourages the state board to allow for the use of licenses professional counselors and licensed social workers in addition to academic counselors. Title: **H.B. 2168 Prevention of Violence** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
PA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the Second Class Township Code. Provides for school-crossing guards. Further regulates the annual budget and uniform report forms. Allows city supervisors to authorize school board to assume hiring and oversight of school-crossing guards. Crossing guards shall not fall under the bargaining unit of the school district or be considered an employee. Title: **H.B. 1157 Provides for School-Crossing Guards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to the Rhode Island Student Investment Initiative; imposes additional requirements upon school districts to include standards utilized by school administrators and staff aimed at maintaining an orderly educational enviro nment in district strategic plans. Title: **H.B. 7612 Orderly Educational Environments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires the state department to develop model programs that encourage "emotional and social competency and learning." The new law states that emotional competency includes self-awareness, emotional self-regulation, motivation, empathy and social skills. It promotes good mental health and is an effective prevention intervention in such problem areas as: aggressive, violent and delinquent behaviors; school truancy and drop out; depression and suicidal thought; and substance abuse. Requires model programs to be evidence based and include an evaluation component. Title: **S.B. 2572 Emotional and Social Competency** Source: *http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText00/SenateText00/S2572.htm*

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SC	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to the maintenance, release and confidentiality of juvenile records pursuant to the juvenile justice code; authorizes release of information among the Department of Juvenile Justice, solicitor's offices, the attorney general and other law enforcement agencies; authorizes the transmission of records of adjudication and pending criminal cases to a school official if the juvenile is or may be a student at the school. Title: **H.B. 4003 Juvenile Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Feb-00	Allows law enforcement agencies to report certain violations of law and threats made by a student. Title: **H.B. 1192 Reporting by Law Enforcement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows local Boards of Education to set longer period for school speed zones around schools. Title: **H.B. 2025 School Speed Zones** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Urges the Department of Education to prepare and provide to all public schools guides to legally permissible practices for disclosure and sharing of student disciplinary information among educators. Title: **S.J.R. 620 Records Sharing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Defines expulsion, suspension and remand for purposes of disciplinary actions in schools. Title: **H.B. 3022 Expulsion, Suspension** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Encourages local education agencies to extend conflict resolution intervention program implemented in grades 1 and 2 to grades 3 -6, and to file annual progress report with governor and education committees of the House and Senate. Title: **H.B. 2104 Conflict Resolution Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Revises "zero tolerance" law on suspension or expulsion of students who commit certain offenses. Title: **H.B. 2679 Zero Tolerance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that a student who has been expelled from school for a firearm, explosive or flammable material violation, and the student's parent, shall meet with the local school board superintendent or his designee within 45 days after the expulsion to determine what would be in the best interest of all parties regarding the student's schooling options. Title: **H.B. 245 Expulsion, Student's Schooling Options** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Adds conduct involving firebombs, explosive materials or devices, hoax explosive devices, chemical bombs or other incendiary devices on a school bus, on school property or at a school-sponsored activity to those incidents to be reported to school principals or their designees; requires principal or his designee to report all such incidents to the division superintendent, who must relay an annual report of these incidents to the department. Title: **H.B. 254 Reporting of Incidents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that anyone convicted of an "offense prohibiting proximity to children" is forever prohibited from loitering within 100 feet of a primary, secondary or high school; provides crimes qualifying as an offense prohibiting proximity to children. Title: **S.B. 197 Proximity to Children** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs school boards to adopt regulations governing student searches; requires regulations be consistent with relevant state and federal law. Title: **H.B. 1445 Student Searches** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Clarifies that possession of weapons on school bus stops is grounds for expulsion from school attendance and constitutes a crime; clarifies that school property includes real property and vehicles owned or leased by a school or operated on behalf of a school. Title: **H.B. 464 School Bus Stops/School Property** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Virginia Center for School Safety within the Department of Criminal Justice Services; provides that the center will, among other things, provide training for public school personnel in school safety and the effective identification of students who may be at risk for violent behavior and in need of special services or assistance. Title: **H.B. 391 Virginia Center for School Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs local school boards to provide, within their respective standards for student conduct, for the suspension and expulsion of students who use profane or obscene language. Title: **H.B. 815 Suspension/Expulsion for Profanity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that the offenses of a simple assault, and assault and battery do not include the use of, by any teacher, principal or other person employed by a school board or employed in a school, incidental, minor or reasonable physical contact or other actions designed to maintain order and control, or reasonable and necessary force under a few given circumstances; relates to the provision that precludes the use of corporal punishment in public schools. Title: **H.B. 1229 Reasonable Force** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Clarifies role of school resource officers; allows officer only to perform law enforcement duties when situation requires it. Title: **S.B. 589 School Resource Officers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Adds language to statute addressing the transmission of false public alarm, which includes bomb threats. Bomb threats made over the Internet, or by other means of electronic transmission, are now clearly punishable criminal offenses. Title: **S.B. 314 Bomb Threats Made Over Internet** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Includes a number of new provisions regarding school discipline including: School boards must adopt comprehensive discipline plans that include more than the standard discipline policies. Such plans also must include the school's approach to classroom management; how the school will provide information and training on conflict resolution; procedures for informing students and parents about the discipline policies and notifying and working with parents about student

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		misconduct; how to respond to significant disruptions such as bomb threats; how staff will receive training on maintaining a safe, orderly civil and positive learning environment; and a description of behaviors on and off school grounds that constitute misconduct, including harassment and hazing. Changes the definitions of suspension and expulsion. A student may be suspended for up to 10 school days or expelled for up to the remainder of a school year or up to 90 school days, whichever is longer. The superintendent or principal may suspend a student, but the approval of the school board is needed to expel a student. Clarifies that a student can be disciplined for misconduct off school grounds if the misconduct directly harms the welfare of the school. Authorizes school boards and school officials and encourages them to provide alternative education services to students during such periods of suspension or expulsion. States that a school to which a student under suspension or expulsion applies may accept the student but honor the discipline imposed by the previous school. Clarifies that a parent of a student who is under suspension or expulsion is not subject to the laws on compulsory student attendance unless the terms of the suspension or expulsion require continued attendance in some form. States that if a school district does not maintain a school but rather pays tuition on behalf of its students, it is not required, but may, pay tuition on behalf of an expelled student to another school. Amends the criminal laws regarding possession of a weapon in a school building to create two separate offenses – knowing possession of a weapon in a school building or on a school bus, and knowing possession of a weapon on any school property with the intent to injure another person. Charges the Commissioner of Education with various responsibilities: developing and delivering training to school personnel on prevention, identification and remediation of disruptive student behaviors; assisting school districts in developing model plans and strategies regarding discipline and student behavior, weapons on school grounds and confidentiality of records; working with the education community on a common definition of "truancy" and of "dropout" and then collecting data on these two phenomena; conducting a research based study on "alternative learning environments" and working with the education community to gather data on the use of restrictive behavioral interventions in Vermont schools. Charges state officials with the responsibility to reduce or eliminate communications barriers to state and local agencies sharing information that would assist in either protecting students from, or providing proper interventions to, dangerous or disruptive students. States that a plan is to be developed to decriminalize truancy and allow local or regional policies on truancy interventions with court intervention as a last resort. Adds a provision to the law on penalties for false alarms. Appropriates funds in the following amounts: $10,000 to support the work of the new Safe Schools Coordinator at the Department of Education; $30,000 for a study of educational outcomes for students in state custody; $315,000 to add capacity for residential care and programs for youth who suffer from alcohol abuse; and $50,000 to fund the study on alternative learning environments. Title: **H.B. 270 Safe Schools Bill** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
VT	Signed by governor May-00	Addresses school (public and independent schools at the elementary and secondary level as well as some postsecondary institutions) policies on hazing and harassment; creates a new school quality standard by which schools will be judged with respect to a safe, civil, orderly and positive learning environment; permits the commissioner and State Board of Education to intervene if there are serious problems in a particular school; makes hazing unlawful with a civil, rather than criminal, penalty of up to $5,000.00; and requires the commissioner annually to report on, and therefore school authorities to report to the commissioner on, hazing

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		and harassment complaints and the response thereto. With respect to hazing policies, school boards (including boards of independent schools) must adopt and enforce such policies by August 1, 2001. School board harassment policies also must be updated, if necessary, by that date. The new law spells out the definition of hazing and the minimum requirements for hazing policies. Title: **S.B. 76 Makes Hazing a Crime** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires that schools be notified of firearm violations by students; states whenever a minor enrolled in any common school is convicted in adult criminal court, or adjudicated or entered into a diversion agreement with the juvenile court on a sex offense, inhaling toxic fumes, controlled substance violation, liquor violation, or any crime under specified chapters, the court must notify the principal of the student's school of the disposition of the case. Title: **S.B. 6206 Notification of Student Offenses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to restrictions on the use of laser pointers and providing penalty. Title: **A.B. 154 Laser Pointers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Protects teachers from being charged criminally when they act reasonably in dealing with disruptive students. Acknowledges a common-law defense that teachers may use reasonable force in dealing with disruptive students. Title: **A.B. 100 School Personnel Liability** Source: *NCREL Policy LINCletter Spring II 2000*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the conditional early reinstatement to school of a pupil who has been expelled from school. Title: **A.B. 447 Conditional Reinstatement of Expelled Pupils** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to fire drills required in schools; authorizes safety drills as determined by school administration. Title: **H.B. 64 Safety Drills** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Scheduling/School Year		
AZ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for an increase to the transaction privilege tax rate from 5.0% to 5.6% to provide greater funding for teacher salaries, to increase the school year, and to provide additional funding for other maintenance and operation education programs, university research and development programs and community college workforce development; makes the act conditional on the voter approving the general transaction privilege tax rate increase at the next general election. Title: **S.B. 1007E Tax Rate Increase** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Adjusts the prescribed dates and provides that the school action plan pursuant to the Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program may propose to increase the number of instructional days up to a full 12 months the amount o f time for which certificated employees are contracted if prescribed conditions are met. Title: **A.B. 2162 Possible Change in the School Calaendar** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Amends existing law to delete noninstructional from recess time as it relates to the option of a local school board or trustees to approve a reduction in annual instructional hour requirements as allowed by law; maintains the restriction that recess time shall not be included in the reduction.

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		Title: **H.B. 636 School Recess** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires schools to be closed on the third Monday of January in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday; permits districts to designate the day as one of the four holidays or to not include the day in the minimum school term; requires school closure on day of the general election and on Veteran's Day. Title: **H.B. 347 Martin Luther King Jr. Day** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Vetoed Mar-00	Establishes President's Day as a public school holiday in the state. Title: **H.B. 415, SB 648 President's Day** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Public Act 141]; Requires that school not be in session on Friday before Labor Day; provides exceptions for school districts, public school academies, intermediate school districts and local act school districts subject to collective bargaining agreements. Title: **H.B. 4099 School Calendar** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	States that for the 2000-01 year only, a school district must not begin the elementary or secondary school year prior to Labor Day. A district, however, may begin the school year on another date if necessary to accommodate a major school construction or remodeling project. Title: **H.B. 3800 School Year Start Date** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	States that the state superintendent of public instruction, the director of the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education, and the chancellor for higher education shall coordinate spring break dates for the public schools, area vocational-technical schools, and institutions within the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education beginning with the 2001-02 school year. Title: **H.B. 2728 (Omnibus Bill) Coordinates Spring Breaks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Aug-00	Adds three days for the next two school years and two more days for all school years thereafter. Title: **S.B. 1111 Alternative Certification, Adds Days to the School Year, Teacher Evaluation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Changes the minimum required time in school for 4th-12th graders from 175 days to 962.5 hours. The Board of Education will set rules for the minimum number of hours in school for grades 1-3. Title: **S.B. 178 School Calendar** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates the Extended School Year Incentive Program and Fund, from such funds as may be appropriated, to be administered by the Board of Education, for incentive grants for public school divisions for the operation of schools beyond the 180-day school year required by the Standards of Accreditation; establishes procedures for calculating amounts for incentive grants to school divisions. Title: **S.B. 545 Grants for Extending School Year** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
School Boards/Campus Boards		
AL	Signed by	Authorizes, under existing law, city and county school board members to receive

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	governor Mar-00	reasonable compensation for their services not to exceed a specified amount per month; permits city and county school boards to increase the maximum compensation not to exceed a specified amount per month upon approval of a majority vote of the members at the board's annual meet ing. Title: **S.B. 209 School Board Compensation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Passed Oct-99	Amends the Constitution of Alabama; provides that the legislature may, by local law, provide for an elected city board of education in any municipality with a city board of education; validates certain laws and referendum elections for purposes of this amendment. Title: **V. 3 Act No. 99-408 CA - Elected Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Nov-99	Makes an employee of a school district eligible to be a member of a county board of education and makes any member of the staff of a county superintendent of schools, any employee of a county or city and county unified school district in that county or city and county, or a superintendent of a school district in the same county ineligible. Title: **A.B. 1212 School Board Eligibility** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes the State Board of Education to adopt rules to administer the educational planning and information system of the De partment of Education; establishes course requirements for specified courses; requires that a school board's policy authorizing absences for religious instruction or holidays be in accordance with rules of the State Board of Education; relates to classification of tuition; relates to children of deceased or disabled veterans. Title: **S.B. 1870 State Board Rules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to instructional materials requirements and school boards; prescribes the duty of school boards to provide instructional materials; eliminates requirements for providing weighted and unweighted aggregations; changes reference to education commissioner regarding certain duties in selecting and adopting instructional materials; eliminate s condition for rejecting bids; eliminates optional escalator clause in certain contracts. Title: **S.B. 850 Boards To Provide Instructional Materials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	States that local boards of education may not employ or promote any person who is a member of the immediate family of any board member, unless a public, recorded vote is taken on such employment or promotion as a separate matter from any other personnel matter. The board member whose family member is being considered may not vote. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - School Board Anti-Nepotism Policies** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the interest a member of the board of directors of a school corporation may have in a contract with the directors'school corporation. Title: **S.B. 2331 Potential Conflicts of Interest** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-730]; Amends the Open Meetings Act; provides that a school board may hold a closed meeting to consider security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of students or school employees, staff or property.

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		Title: **H.B. 3881 Closed Door Meetings for School Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-728]; Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code; makes changes concerning the ineligibility of persons to be elected to a local school council, the criminal background investigation of local school council members, a local school council's decision to retain or not retain a principal and the term of a principal's performance contract. Title: **H.B. 3840 Background Checks on School Board Members** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Transfers the powers of the state school board to the Department of Children, Families, and Learning. Title: **S.B. 86 Transfer of Powers from State Board to Department** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Provides increased representation on receiving district boards of education for certain sending districts. Title: **S.B. 2212 Representation Under Open Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes a Board of Education to acquire real property needed for school purposes by exchanging real property that the board owns for the property or by using real property that the board owns as consideration in the purchase of the property. Title: **S.B. 269 Property Acquisition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Clarifies the authority of the boards of trustees of, or officers designated by the boards of trustees of, state-supported colleges or universities over decision making related to employees of these institutions; eliminates the requirement for a technical college district to select a depository for its funds in accordance with the Uniform Depository Act. Title: **S.B. 210 Authority of Boards of Trustees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows districts with over 30,000 average daily membership to expand district board of education to include a chair of the board who would be elected at large. Chair of the board position may be added upon vote of district board of education or upon vote by people of the district. Effective 6-1-00. Title: **S.B. 1532 School Board Elections** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes local boards of education to maintain records of proceedings of board in electronic format. Title: **S.B. 1322 Electronic Board Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TX	Died Nov-99	[PROPOSITION 5 (SJR26-1999)]; Amends the state constitution to allow state employees to receive compensation for serving as members of governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns or other local governmental districts. Title: **V. 5 Proposition 5 – Service on Governing Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that a local school board member's term of office is two years; provides that the size of a local board of education shall be based on the school district's student population; provides that a school district may employ unlicensed teachers who possess outstanding professional qualifications under a letter of authorization.

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		Title: **H.B. 119 School Boards, Unlicensed Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that those school board employees and persons appointed to position of trust by school boards designated by an adopted policy of the school board are to file disclosure statements. Title: **H.B. 636 Disclosure Statements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the Board of Visitors of each four-year state institution of higher education to appoint one or more nonvoting student representatives to the board. Title: **S.B. 438 and H.B. 821 Student Representatives on Higher Education Boards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Makes clear that the Australian ballot nominating process for union school board members is the same at the time of establishment of the union as it is for ongoing board elections thereafter. While this was assumed before, the language has been added to harmonize the two provisions. Nominating petitions now also will require at least 30 voters or 1% of the legal voters in the local district, whichever is less. This process now will be identical to that of the Australian ballot nominating process for local school district directors. The secretary of state has mailed further information about this new law to each school district clerk. Title: **H.B. 255 Signatures on School Board Petitions** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
School Districts/Campus Systems		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides an equivalent percent cost-of-living adjustment for certain public education employees with the beginning of the 2000-01 fiscal year; requires a revision of the state salary matrix for certificated personnel; requires revisions of local salary schedules to reflect the cost-of-living adjustments for the 2000-01 fiscal year. Title: **H.B. 202 Cost-of-Living Salary Adjustments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	States that unification of a common school district and a high school district is not authorized if any of the high school district facilities owned by the new unified school district are not located within its boundaries; stipulates that only unifying school districts shall approve the formation of a unified school district by resolution. Title: **H.B. 2264 Unification of Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 962]; Appropriates, without regard to fiscal year, $1,000,000 from the general fund to the superintendent of public instruction for allocation to school districts and county offices of education to fund the acquisition of school library materials. These funds will be applied toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. Title: **A.B. 910 Funding for Library Materials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Requires every school site at which 75 pupils are eligible for free or reduced-cost meals through the federal School Lunch Program to offer breakfast to all of the pupils enrolled at the school site through the federal School Breakfast Program, commencing during or before the 2000-01 school year, to the extent funding is available for that purpose, for any fiscal year or portion of a fiscal year. Title: **S.B. 1041 Free Breakfast Programs**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the Brandywine, Colonial, Christina, and Red Clay Consolidated School Districts to develop and implement Neighborhood School Plans that allow every student to attend the grade-appropriate school geographically closest to the student's home; establishes that Neighborhood School Committee. Title: **H.B. 300 Neighborhood School Plans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Vetoed Jun-00	Relates to education; relates to annual public disclosure reports; encourages certain grading practices; authorizes school districts to abandon certain high school grading practices; authorizes a weighted grading system for purposes of class ranking. Title: **S.B. 990 Changes in High School Grading Practices** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the Department of Education to conduct a feasibility study of reorganization and sharing incentives for school districts. Title: **H.B. 2198 Reorganization Study** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires that a majority vote shall decide the election for continuance or discontinuance of school. Title: **H.B. 520 Continuance/Discontinuance of a School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Repeals the requirement for school corporations to change to a July-June budget year; repeals the July-June budget year pilot project; changes the date back to September 20 for public hearings on proposed plans for school bus replacement and capital projects. Title: **S.B. 508 Budget Year** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the auditor of public accounts to be responsible for an annual audit of the funds in each school district cooperative, school district consortium, school district corporation and any other entity formed by school districts; provides the auditor may allow a certified public accountant to perform the audit but shall retain the right to receive the audit report and management letters. Title: **H.B. 689 Annual Audits** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires each public elementary and secondary school to establish and maintain a school library media center that is staffed by a certified school media librarian; requires school council to consult with the school media librarian on matters pertaining to the facility; permits school media librarian to be employed at two or more schools in a district with the consent of the school council. Title: **H.B. 324 Libraries** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Department of Education to promote strategies to assist school districts in providing a safe transportation system; directs the Department of Education to report on its effect to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by January 1, 2001. Title: **H.J.R. 101 Safe Transportation Systems** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Makes certain adjustments to the formula for transportation grants to county boards of education; adjusts the time period for calculating increases in the grant amounts.

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		Title: **S.B. 106 Formula for Transportation Grants** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes the Department of Finance and Administration to develop a master lease purchase program for equipment use by school districts. Title: **H.B. 1031 Master Lease Purchase Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Outlines procedures for the adoption of joint maintenance agreements; authorizes school districts which have entered into joint maintenance agreements to incur indebtedness by issuing notes or bonds subject to approval of the legislative bodies of the respective districts; permits joint agreement districts to be eligible for school building aid grants; repeals current law on the formation of a joint agreement certain school districts for the purpose of calculating school aid. Title: **S.B. 318 District Joint Maintenance Agreements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jan-00	Provides regionalization incentive aid for K-12 school districts with an enrollment greater than 10,000 pupils. Title: **A.B. 3290 School District Regionalization** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for the establishment of "Learning Centers." These learning centers will be set up by local Learning Center Districts and will work with established community colleges and universities to provide postsecondary education options throughout the state. Each district will have the ability to levy a 5-mill tax, with approval of the voters, to fund these centers. Title: **S.B. 406 Learning Center Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the Board of Regents to include in their annual report to the governor and the legislature on the schools of the state, information concerning school library expenditures and school library media specialist employment. Title: **A.B. 4885 Libraries** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Requires all public schools to make a breakfast program available to students attending the school. Title: **S.B. 2387 Breakfast Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Became law without governor's signature Jun-00	Authorizes the Board of Education to acquire school buildings and other facilities relating to school district operations; allows this acquisition by means of a lease purchase agreement. Title: **H.B. 4970 School Facilities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Allows noncitizens to be employed at public schools and colleges in Tennessee. Title: **S.B. 2939 Employment of Noncitizens** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the State Board of Education to conduct a study and make a report on whether there should be an optimum size for school districts based on student population; provides a mechanism for the creation of a new school district; provides for the transfer of property to and the assumption of indebtedness by the new school district; provides for the election of board members. Title: **H.B. 22 School District Size** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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VT	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for a school environmental health clearinghouse on the Department of Health's Web site; provides for the development of a model school environmental health policy; requires an annual audit of school buildings and grounds; requires a maintenance schedule for ventilation and heating systems; requires implementation of integrated pest management; provides for isolation of toxic material that cannot be removed; provides for emergency response. Title: **H.B. 192 Environmental Clearinghouse** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
School to Work		
AK	Signed by governor Jun-00	States that it is the intent of the legislature that the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council undergo an internal reassessment and reorganization to minimize the number of members of the council and to improve its ability to efficiently and effectively serve as the state's primary planning and coordinating entity for vocational and technical education. Title: **S.B. 289 Revising Voc. Ed. Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Amends powers of the School to Work Executive Council; places the Council administratively within the Department of Education; appropriates funds for the Council. Title: **H.B. 2280 State's School To Work Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the certified school to career program. Title: **H.B. 2179 School to Career** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	Prohibits any state agency, board or commission from establishing any policy or rule requiring an individual to obtain any state certificate pursuant to a public school program linking education and careers, including any school-to-work program, as a condition of employment. Title: **H.B. 889 School-to-Work Certification** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the Education and Career Preparation Task Force (17 members) and charges it with the responsibility of studying various aspects of career preparation and technical education in Nebraska schools, including the need, feasibility, funding and availability of teachers. The task force will be required to report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by October. 1. Title: **L.B. 495 Education and Career Preparation Task Force** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Exempts minors from child labor laws by authorizing them to participa te in educational programs in science sponsored by private sector. Title: **S.B. 987 Student Involvement in Private Sector** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Changes the official name of the board known as the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education to the State Board of Career and Technology Education, and changes the name of the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education to the State Department of Career and Technology Education. Title: **H.B. 2128 Title Changes** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
Science		
CA	Signed by governor	Authorizes the Regents of the University of California to establish three California Institutes for Science and Innovation for the purpose of combining technological

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	Jun-00	and scientific research and training and educating future scientists and technological leaders. Title: **A.B. 2883 Science/Technology Training** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 958]; Establishes eligibility criteria for a residential outdoor science program and requires the superintendent of public instruction to apportion to each school district or county office of education that operates a residential program, a specified amount per eligible pupil participating per day. Title: **A.B. 1498 Residential Outdoor Science Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides that the Department of Education shall establish a competitive grant program for high school projects that involve one or more of the following topics: computers, engineering, physics, mathematics, science or technical construction; allows local and regional boards of education to apply on behalf of a high school under their jurisdiction. Title: **H.B. 5231 High School Grant Program for Math, Science and Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Secondary Education		
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides that the Department of Education shall establish a competitive grant program for high school projects that involve one or more of the following topics: computers, engineering, physics, mathematics, science or technical construction; allows local and regional boards of education to apply on behalf of a high school under their jurisdiction. Title: **H.B. 5231 High School Grant Program for Math, Science and Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Allows local and regional boards of education to award high school diplomas to wartime veterans who did not earn their diplomas because they withdrew from school to join the armed forces. Title: **S.B. 154 Awarding High School Diplomas to Wartime Veterans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Requires one half credit in civics as part of the three credit social studies requirement for high school graduation. Title: **H.B. 5274 High School Civics Graduation Requirement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Revises requirements for district grade forgiveness policies. Beginning 2000-01 school year and thereafter, forgiveness policies limited to replacing a grade of "D" or "F" or the equivalent in required courses with a grade of "C" or higher earned subsequently in the same or comparable course. Applies to elective courses as well. Any course grade not replaced according to a district forgiveness policy shall be included in the calculation of the cumulative gradepoint average required for graduation. Title: **S.B. 842 Forgiveness Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows high school students to obtain college and high school course credits simultaneously. Title: **H.B. 2092 College Credit for High Schoolers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by	Adds a new chapter to establish the New Economy Technology Scholarship Act.

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	governor Jun-00	Title: **S.B. 2420 New Economy Technology Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-832]; Amends the Vehicle Code; provides that monies in the Fire Fighters Memorial Fund shall, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and approval by the Secretary, be used for maintaining the Fire Fighters Memorial, for holding an annual memorial commemoration and for providing scholarships to children of fire fighters killed in the line of duty. Title: **H.B. 2870 Scholarships to Children of Fire Fighters Killed in Action** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates the College Readiness Program and College Readiness Financial Aid Program for disadvantaged and capable public high school students in the state; requires high school students to complete core college preparation courses starting in 2005-06; requires the State Department of Education and the K-16 partnership to develop a program of those courses; requires the department and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop placement tests and cutoff scores. Title: **H.B. 1091 College Readiness** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Amends the Profile of Learning. Highlights: Allows districts to phase in the number of content standards required of students for graduation; empowers teachers to participate in the decision about student standard requirements; allows districts to permit this year's 9th and 10th graders to be "held harmless;" makes scoring more flexible; emphasizes that state and local performance packages are not required. Allows districts to choose whether or not to use the three additional instruction days (mandated in 1996) for staff development relating to the implementation of the Profile of Learning. Title: **SF 3286 Profile of Learning** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
OK	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to high school graduation requirements: - Abolishes the dual diploma system by repealing the Diploma of Honor and restoring the Certificate of Distinction option - Adds attainment of competencies as method of satisfying core course requirements - Requires courses which satisfy the core curriculum requirements in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies to have content and/or rigor equal to or above the required core course - Allows certain courses to be taught in a contextual methodology - Requires school districts to encourage students to take two units of foreign language - States that schools are not required to offer every course listed, but must offer enough courses to meet the graduation requirements - States that schools are required to pay for a student's concurrent enrollment course when the course is necessary for graduation and the district does not offer it - Requires the State Department of Education to work with school districts to review and approve courses not specifically listed in statute; deletes the term "comparable," and specifies that such courses must be equal to or above the listed courses in content and/or rigor - Specifies that academic and vocational-technical courses with integrated or embedded competencies from the Priority Academic Student Skills (PASS – state curriculum) may be approved for academic credit by the State Board of Education - Allows students on individualized education programs (IEPs) who satisfy the programming for graduation in the IEP to be awarded a high school diploma; - Allows students enrolled in alternative education programs who meet the requirements of their plans to be awarded a high school diploma - Allows students who complete the curriculum requirements of the International

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		Baccalaureate Diploma Program to be awarded a high school diploma. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - Graduation Requirements** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Modifies the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program. Authorizes test fee assistance for students taking multiple tests in one year. Authorizes the state board to award additional grants to school sites demonstrating successful implementation of the courses for which the first grants were awarded. Modifies awards to allow for support of preadvanced placement courses, International Baccalaureate courses and development of Advanced Placement vertical teams. Title: **S.B. 1015 Advanced Placement Incentive Program** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Makes effective 2002-03 school year – to graduate with a standard diploma, students must complete core curriculum units or sets of competencies in the following: four language arts (one grammar/composition, three of either American, English or World Literature, Advanced English or other equal); three mathematics (one algebra 1 or algebra 1 taught in a contextual methodology [applied]; two from either algebra II, geometry, trigonometry or math analysis); three science (one biology or biology taught in a contextual methodology, and two of either life, physical, earth science or technology [may include chemistry, physics, biology, physical science, earth science, botany, zoology, physiology, astronomy or applied versions of same] or qualified agricultural education courses); three social studies (one U.S. History, one-half U.S. government or Oklahoma history and one-half to one of world history, geography, economics, anthropology or other of equal rigor); two arts (visual and/or music); strongly encourages two units or sets of competencies of foreign languages. Contextual methodology means "academic content and skills taught by utilizing real-world problems and projects in a way that helps students understand the application of that knowledge." Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - Graduation Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
SC	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the eligibility requirements for a life scholarship; deletes requirement that students must pass all courses required for a Star Diploma; relates to the requirements and the promulgation of regulations for the Star Diploma; relates to including Star Diploma information in high school and higher educ ation awareness counseling, all so as to repeal the Star Diploma program. Title: **H.B. 4650 Repeals Star Diploma Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor May-00	[Joint Resolution]; Approves regulations of the Department of Education related to graduation requirements. Title: **S.B. 1220 Graduation Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Board of Education to establish the requirements for a third diploma option, i.e., an advanced mathematics and technology diploma; provides that the diploma will be a 24-credit diploma, with nine required verified credits (course and Standards of Learning test satisfactorily completed), including four credits in English, two of which shall be verified credits and one of which shall be in technical writing/reading/communication skills. Title: **S.B. 706 Diploma Options** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires the Board of Education to include, in the requirement for verified credits for the standard and advanced studies diplomas, a provision that allows students completing elective classes into which the Standards of Learning (SOL) for any required course have been integrated to take the relevant SOL assessment for the

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		relevant required course and receive, upon achieving a satisfactory score on the specific SOL test diploma. Title: **H.B. 489 Diploma Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires notification to parents of school courses leading to college credit; requires that each high school shall publish annually and deliver to each parent with children enrolled in school, information concerning the entrance requirements and the availability in school of programs leading to college credit, such as Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs. Title: **S.B. 6559 Notification to Parents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Changes names of program from children at risk to "children at risk of not graduating from high school." Changes definition to "at risk of not graduating from high school because they failed the high school graduation exam," are dropouts, or are two or more of the following: one or more years behind their age group in the number of high school credits attained; two or more years behind their age group's basic skills levels; habitual truants; parents; adjudicated delinquents; or 8th-graders who score below certain basic levels or who failed to be promoted to 9th grade. Title: **S.B. 241 At-Risk Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Service-Learning/Community Service		
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Transfers the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service from the Council on Postsecondary Education to the Office of the Secretary, Cabinet for Families and Children; continues exemption of the Commission's employees from the classified service. Title: **S.B. 233 Community Volunteerism** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Site-Based DecisionMaking/Decentralization		
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates school councils at each school. The councils must be made up of the principal of the school, two parents, two teachers and two businesspersons. The duties of the councils are to provide advice, recommendations and assistance to the local board. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Local School Councils Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Deletes the requirement that teacher representatives on school-based decision-making councils be Kentucky residents; allows a school district employee working at a different school to require school-based decisionmaking councils to adopt a policy to be implemented by the principal regarding procedures to assist the council with consultation in the selection of personnel by the principal. Title: **S.B. 76 School-Based Decisionmaking** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires that a parent member on a school council not be an employee or a relative of an employee of the school in which the parent serves; requires procedures to assist the school council with consultation in the selection of personnel by the principal; requires each school council to annually review data provided by the Kentucky Department of Education by December 31 each year on its students' performance levels and adopt a plan to assure that each student makes progress. Title: **S.B. 265 School Councils** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor	Establishes school improvement teams for each school in preparation and evaluation of the school improvement plan.

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	Jul-00	Title: **H.B. 7415 School Improvement Teams** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Special Education		
AZ	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[PROPOSITION 101 (HCR 2004)]; Revises the textual terminology in the State Constitution of Arizona relating to voter qualification/disqualification; voting residency of federal employees and others; property tax exemption for the disabled; public school education of hearing- and visually-impaired children; composition of the State Militia; and institutions for the mentally and p hysically disabled. Title: **V. 2 Disabled Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to special education; makes numerous changes to the statutes relating to special education; defines the term foster parent; modifies various terms; lowers the age of a child with a disability; removes the definition of handicapped child and replaces it with the term "child with a disability"; allows for more than one director for the Division of Special Education; removes the requirement that the director of the Division of Special Education have at a minimum a master's degree. Title: **H.B. 2359 Special Education Changes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Chapter No. 67]; Authorizes foster family agencies, with jurisdiction over currently enrolled or former pupils, to access records of grades and transcripts, and individualized education plans maintained by school districts or private schools of those pupils. Title: **A.B. 2453 Access to Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	[Chapter No. 88]; Prohibits the denial of a petition for the establishment of a charter school based on the actual or potential costs of serving individuals with exceptional needs. Clarifies that this prohibition shall not be construed to prevent a school district from meeting its obligation to ensure that the proposed charter school will meet the needs of individuals with exceptional needs, nor shall it be construed to limit or alter the reasons for denying a petition, as specified. Title: **S.B. 1914 Charter Schools Dealing with Special Education Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Revises the provisions of the juvenile court law to require the court, court-appointed special advocates, probation officers and social workers, as applicable, to take specified actions to ensure that specified children receive any educational and related services and any accommodations for the disabled, as applicable, to which they are entitled under state and federal law, as specified. Incorporates additional changes to the Welfare and Institutions Code. Title: **A.B. 645 Court Involvement in Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Provides that for purposes of calculating the growth adjustment for necessary small special education local plan areas, if the amount of funding per unit of attendance computed for the prior fiscal year is greater than the statewide target amount per unit for special education local plan areas, the amount of funding per unit is deemed to be the statewide target amount for special education local plan areas. Title: **A.B. 953 Funding Special Education Growth** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Relates to existing law which requires each special education local plan area to submit a local plan to the superintendent of public instruction. Requires local plans to contain a method for the implementation of a language arts program through the special education local plan area in which curriculum and instruction are

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		differentiated based on assessed needs and pursuant to the individualized education plan for each individual with exceptional needs and set forth curriculum requirement. Title: **S.B. 867 Local Special Education Plans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 858]; Authorizes the board to adopt or amend regulations on or after January 1, 2000, to adjust the assumed capacity for each teaching station used for nonsevere or severe special day class purposes after considering the recommendations of the legislative analyst required pursuant to existing law, which would be implemented upon approval of the director of finance. Title: **A.B. 695 Special Needs Numbers/Capacity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Relates to existing law which sets forth a method of computing the amount of property tax revenues to be allocated to special education programs; provides that if the amount computed pursuant to the formula exceeds the total amount necessary for the county superintendent of the schools to operate special education programs, the county superintendent shall allocate the excess amount to special education local plan areas on the basis of the units of average daily attendance. Title: **A.B. 395 Special Education Revenues** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Provides that state funding of special education programs for children with disabilities be increased so that, by the 2005-06 fiscal year, the state will be funding not less than 80% of the total cost of providing such programs statewide. Makes legislative findings concerning the funding of such special education programs. Title: **S.B. 49 State Funding for Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Expands responsibilities of surrogate parents appointed by education commissioner to represent children who may require special education in the absence of their real parents; monitors success; requires local school boards to notify said parents of discipline policies, suspensions and expulsions like regular parents; relates to disclosure of information in special education hearings; grants funds to local districts and magnet schools evenly; approves sheltered workshop training. Title: **H.B. 5316 Surrogate Parents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a Braille Literacy Advisory Council to review braille literacy and assess availability of services to school children, collect data on frequency with which an individualized education plan contains a recommendation or determination that an impaired child should not be taught Braille and the reasons therefor, evaluate learning media assessments, develop a plan to attract qualified teachers and assess methods to improve coordination of state and local education agencies. Title: **H.B. 5531 Establishes Braille Literacy Advisory Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates a Blind Babies Program; provides for early-intervention education for certain children who are blind or visually impaired and for their parents, families and caregivers. Title: **S.B. 924 Blind Babies Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor	Changes certain provisions regarding special instructional assistance programs for students with developmental deficiencies; provides for the application of

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	Mar-00	mandatory education requirements to children between ages 7 and 16 apply who are assigned to alternative public school programs and to the parents, guardians or other persons having control or charge of such children. Title: **H.B. 114 Special Education, Alternative Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Funds the new class sizes as follows: Category I Special Education - 1:8 Category II Special Education - 1:6.5 Category III Special Education - 1:5 Category IV Special Education - 1:3 Category V Special Education - 1:8 Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Special Education Class-Size Component** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates an Early Intervention Program in kindergarten and a Primary Grades Early Intervention Program in grades 1-3 for students performing below grade level. Special education students are eligible for this program, but may only be counted for funding for either the early intervention program or a special education category. The school must provide timely notice and an opportunity for a conference with the student and his or her parents or guardians to discuss the student's developmental deficiencies and options for addressing those deficiencies. Students should be "moved into this program, provided assistance and moved out of this program." Delivery models may include, but are not limited to, class augmentation, pull-out or self-contained classes and the Reading Recovery Program. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Early Intervention and Special Education Students** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Establishes the Hawaii Autism Center of Excellence within the University of Hawaii. Title: **S.B. 2448 Creates Autism Center** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-784]; Provides that the provision (Article of the School Code) requiring the assignment of a surrogate parent for educational matters does not apply to a child who resides with a foster parent; allows the surrogate parent to be assigned for educational matters if the child is a ward of the state residing in a residential facility; requires special education teachers to be categorically certified in order to teach a student with a specific disability. Title: **S.B. 1447 Changes in Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Passed Jun-00	Directs the state board to refrain from implementing any new system for the certification of special education teachers until January 1, 2001. Title: **SJR 61 Certification of Special Education Teachers** Source: *NCREL Policy LINCLetter Spring II 2000*
IL	Passed Mar-00	States that beginning 01/01/03, the State of Illinois will have a new system for certifying special education teachers. Teachers will have to be certified as a Learning and Behavior Specialist I (entry level) or Learning and Behavior Specialist II (advanced study and specialization). This system will not effect those individuals who had already been certified prior to that date. The new system is designed to train teachers across categories instead of having them focus on any single disability category. The new system will enable teachers to better serve the needs of students who have multiple handicaps. There still will be three categorical certificates that also can be achieved. They are: Blind/Visually Impaired,

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		Deaf/Hearing Impaired, and Speech and Language Impaired. In addition, there will be a new designation for teachers who have been trained to work with prekindergarten students. The state has not yet finalized the rules for this certification process. Title: **New Special Education Teacher Certification Rules** Source: *Illinois State Board of Education*
KY	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; provides that rights for infants, toddlers and parents served by the State Early Intervention System are mandated by participation in Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; deletes limitation to available funding. Title: **H.B. 51 Early Childhood Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Specifies that local education agencies are not responsible for replacing or repairing lost, stolen or misused assistive technology devices provided to children with disabilities or their parents or guardians. Title: **S.B. 87A Assistive Technology** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes an Advisory Council on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD); provides for the membership, chairman and staff of the advisory council; requires the advisory council to study and take specified actions regarding attention deficit hyperactivity disorder; requires the governor and state agencies to implement the recommendations of the task force to study the uses of methylphenidate and other drugs on school children. Title: **S.B. 742 Advisory Council on ADHD** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Extends the time through which a child is eligible for special education and related services to the end of the school year in which the child turns 21 years of age; requires special education and related services regulations of the State Board of Education to cover a child through the end of the school year in which the child turns 21 years of age. Title: **H.B. 552 Ages Eligible for Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 1620]; Allows any person who was a student at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf between 1974 and 1998 to bring an action against the school notwithstanding any provision of the law limiting the time period for which an action may be commenced or concerning the Maine Tort Claims Act. Title: **H.B. 1135 Legal Action** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Public Law No. 775, (LD 2690)]; Changes the governance system and the educational programs of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf; amends the structure of the school board; relates to funding the programs authorized by the school; permits the school board greater budget flexibility; allows the school board to authorize and operate satellite school programs; establishes a limit on the number of students enrolled in the residential program at Mackworth Island. Title: **H.B. 1946 Modification of Oversight of School for the Deaf** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Public Law No. 721, (LD 2593)]; Extends the use of emotional disability as an identifying factor in the identification of exceptional children; directs the Department of Education to study the impact of the use of emotional and behavioral indicators and the likely impact of the use of developmental delay categories in the identification of exceptional children.

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		Title: **H.B. 1858 Emotional Disability** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act 129]; Relates to special education; regards visually impaired pupils; provides for Braille literacy provisions for visually impaired pupils; names section as "Blind Pupil's Braille Literacy Law"; provides definitions. Title: **S.B. 658 Visually Impaired Pupils** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Decreases a district's threshold to qualify for excess cost aid from 4.4% to 4.36% of general education revenue, beginning in FY 2001. Increases the appropriation for excess cost aid from $60,498,000 to $66,032,000 in fiscal year 2000 and from $79,405,000 to $89,137,000 in fiscal year 2001. Most of the change in these appropriations is to adjust for change in the estimated cost of fully funding the excess cost formula, based on new data becoming available between the end of the 1999 legislative session and the February 2000 budget forecast. Changes in the general education formula and the threshold to qualify for excess cost aid account for only a small portion of the change. The one-time special education cross-subsidy revenue is excluded from the calculation of excess cost aid. Title: **H.B. 3800 Special Education Excess Cost Aid** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Creates an exception to a provision in MS 125A.15 which generally makes the nonresident district in which the child is placed responsible for providing an appropriate education and necessary transportation to a disabled child who is temporarily placed in a residential program for care and treatment. This exception allows a privately owned and operated residential facility to enter into a contract with a joint powers entity for appropriate educational programs and services for children with disabilities. Makes the district with which the private facility contracts, and not the district in which the facility is located, responsible for providing the disabled student with an appropriate educational program. If the privately owned and operated residential facility does not enter into a contract under this exception, the nonresident district in which the facility is located is responsible. Title: **H.B. 3800 Residential Programs** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the State Department of Education to provide an annual recognition program for schools for providing full inclusion of children with disabilities in all aspects of academic and extracurricular activities. Title: **S.B. 2745 Recognition for Full Inclusion** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Vetoed Apr-00	Changes provisions relating to budgets, beginner grade entrance document requirements, the enrollment option program, reorganization plan hearin gs, report filing dates, warrants, expenditure limitations, state aid, temporary mitigation funds, the Hardship Fund, certain site and building funds, special education and private postsecondary career schools; changes and eliminates provisions relating to duties of the school Finance Review Committee. Title: **L.B. 1401 Budget Provisions Affecting Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Clarifies several aspects of how students, specifically special education students, are to be treated in the state. Clarifies that special education students are "children from birth to the age of 21 years." Also clarifies that schools are required to provide an education to children who are homeless. Further defines that if a student's re sident district is unable to provide special education services, it must contract with a nonresident district to provide those services.

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		Title: **L.B. 1243 Special Education Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes a commission on the education of the deaf to study issues related to the status of education and support services for the deaf in the state; establishes a sunset date for the commission. Title: **H.B. 1283 Education for the Deaf** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Nov-99	Authorizes a school district to expend funds reflecting the total catastrophic special education costs for pupils in the district; provides that certain unexpected catastrophic special education expenses which could not be identified or anticipated prior to the adoption of the school district budget shall be exempt from the provisions of the municipal budget laws. Title: **H.B. 577 Catastrophic Special Education Costs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Jun-00	Authorizes medical assistance payments to certain clinics or diagnostic and treatment centers for services they render to preschool children with handicaps. Title: **S.B. 6735 Payments to Medical Centers for Serving Preschool Students with Handicaps** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Pertains to children with disabilities; amends the composition of the Transition Council by adding a representative from one of the regional education collaboratives. Title: **S.B. 2389 Transition Council Membership** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Deals with the transfer of a special education student from a resident district to a nonresident district. Under previous law the resident district was held responsible for the students' education; under the new law the nonresident district becomes responsible for the students' education. Title: **H.B. 1058 Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Allows certain children to be included as a level 2, 3, 4 or 5 disability for the purpose of calculating special education state aid. Title: **S.B. 23 Special Education Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Urges Department of Education to modify and revise portfolio assessment piloted for evaluating students with disabilities who do not participate in statewide assessment. Title: **H.J.R. 589 Assessing Students with Disabilities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Modifies special education definitions and rules to be adopted by the State Board of Education; modifies provisions regarding participation of students with a disability in extracurricular activities; modifies the process by which disputes are resolved over educational programs and rights and responsibilities of students with disabilities, their parents and public schools; provides a repealer. Title: **H.B. 146 Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to individuals with disabilities; provides a specified appropriation to the State Office of Rehabilitation to purchase assistive technology devices and services under rules made by the State Board of Education.

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		Title: **S.B. 131 Assistive Technology Purchases** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor May-00	Clarifies the definition of special education services; permits the cost of special education services to be a factor in considering how to provide appropriate services; provides for teacher training; provides for individual education plans; provides for state aid to districts to assist with special education costs. Focuses on students in the entire educational system, not just the special education system, and addresses containment of special education costs while at the same time continuing to deliver appropriate services that meet the needs of Vermont students. - Assigns responsibility for developing and maintaining the educational support system to either the superintendent or principal. - Requires an annual report to the commissioner of education on the status of each school's educational support system and a description and justification of how Medicaid funds were used. Title: **H.B. 629 Special Education** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the eligible ages for special education; provides that an individual with a disability must be between 3 and 21 years of age to be eligible for free appropriate public education. Title: **A.B. 394 Eligible Ages for Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Defines "parent" to mean any of the following: biological parent; husband who has consented to the artificial insemination of his wife; male who is presumed to be the child's father under section 891.41; male w ho has been adjudicated as the child's father by final order or judgment of an Indian tribal court of competent jurisdiction or by final order or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction in another state; adoptive parent; legal guardian; person acting as a parent of a child; person appointed as a sustaining parent under section 48.428; or person assigned as a surrogate parent. "Parent" does not include any of the following: Person whose parental rights have been terminated; the state; a county or a chi ld welfare agency, if child was made a ward of the state, county or child welfare agency under ch. 880 or if a child has been placed in the legal custody or guardianship of the state, county or child welfare agency under ch. 48 or ch. 767; or an American Indian tribal agency if the child was made a ward of the agency or placed in the legal custody or guardianship of the agency. Title: **A.B. 412 Modifies Definition of Parent** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Standards		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 735]; Relates to the Leroy Greene California Assessment of Academic Achievement Act which requires the State Board of Education to adopt statewide performance standards in core curriculum areas, as specified, no later than 06/15/99; provides instead that th e board is required to adopt those standards no later than 12/31/99; requires the State Board of Education to adopt a performance standards system. Title: **S.B. 366 Statewide Performance Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Signed by governor Apr-00	Exempts development of statewide performance standards educational policies; states that the Department of Education shall regulate courses of study to be pursued in all grades of public schools and classify them by methods the department deems proper. Title: **H.B. 2495 Performance Standards, Curriculum**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Directs the state board to develop sufficiently clear and measurable model academic content standards. Additionally, each school district in the state is required to develop measurable academic standards that would need to be the same as, equally rigorous as or more rigorous than the measurable model standards created by the board. Also directs local school districts to develop academic subject assessments, which will be given in one subject each year, beginning with reading. Once a subject assessment takes place, the local versions of the assessments will be forwarded to an independent expert who will select four model assessments. School districts then will be required to utilize one of the model assessments the next time that subject area is assessed. Provides for the implementation of a statewide writing assessment beginning in spring 2001 for students at three grade levels selected by the state board. Title: **L.B. 812 Local Assessment System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to educational standards; provides for remediation and academic improvement programs; restricts promotions; provides for parental involvement. Title: **H.B. 78 Standards, Remediation, Parent Involvement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Board of Education to schedule the administration of Standards of Learning assessments to be graded by computerized or other automated means to occur no earlier than two weeks before the end of the relevant course. Title: **S.B. 318 More Timely Results/Standards of Learning** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that the Standards of Learning in all subject areas shall be subject to review and revision every five years, beginning no later than 7/1/00, to maintain rigor and to reflect a balance between content knowledge and the application of knowledge. Title: **H.B. 633 Regular Review of Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Revises Standards of Quality to make educational technology squarely within the scope of the Standards of Quality; requires the Board of Education to include proficiency in the use of computers and related technology in the Standards of Learning. Title: **H.B. 203 Technology Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that, by 10/01/00, the Board of Education shall establish a regular schedule for review and revision as may be necessary of the Standards of Learning in all subject areas; provides that such review and revision shall occur at least once every seven years. Title: **S.B. 606 Review of Standards of Learning** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires the Board of Education to include, in the requirement for verified credits for the standard and advanced studies diplomas, a provision that allows students completing elective classes into which the Standards of Learning for any required course have been integrated to take the relevant Standards of Learning assessment for the relevant required course and receive, upon achieving a satisfactory score on the specific SOL test, diploma. Title: **H.B. 489 Diploma Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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HI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires the Board of Education to set the salary of the superintendent of education. Title: **S.B. 1276 Superintendent Pay** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Appropriates funds to the State Board of Education for the Office of the State Board of Education for fiscal year 2001; limits the full-time positions; reappropriates the unexpended and unencumbered fund for the office's nonrecurring expenditures. Title: **H.B. 742 Limit on FTE** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the School Code; prohibits the State Board of Education from making audit adjustments to general state aid claims paid in fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 based upon the claimant's failure t o provide a minimum of five clock hours of daily instruction to students in an alternative education program; prohibits the audit adjustments based upon the claimant's provision of service to nonresident students in an alternative education program without charging tuition. Title: **H.B. 2917 State Board's Ability to Adjust Payments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jul-00	Re-enacts as a separate act the sections of law adding eight members appointed by the governor (with advice and consent of the Senate) to the State Board of Education, creating a 19-member board. No person may hold office for more than two consecutive four-year terms. Each elected member (11) must be a resident of the district the member represents. Title: **H.B. 711 State Board Membership** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Expands the Vermont State Board of Education from seven to 10 members. The three additional members will be appointed by the governor. One new member will be an adult, appointed for a six-year term. Two students shall be appointed by the governor for a transition year after an open application process. One student shall be appointed for a one-year term and the other for a two-year term. The student serving the one-year term shall be a full-voting member. The student holding the two-year term shall become a voting member in the second year of his or her term. Thereafter, annually the governor shall appoint one student for a two-year term to replace the departing student state board member. Title: **H.B. 234 Addition of One Adult and Two Student Members to State Board** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
State Policymaking		
AL	Signed by governor Feb-00	Pertains to the Governor's Commission on Instructional Improvement and Academic Excellence in Alabama's Public Schools; extends the commission through end of 1999-2003 quadrennium; duties, members, progress reports, expenses. Title: **S.J.R. 4 Governor's Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes a 13 member Joint Legislative Study Committee on Reservation Schools which is repealed December 31, 2000; charges the committee with the following duties: to examine current methods of delivering educational services to pupils in K-12 who reside on Indian reservations, to examine alternatives for improving educational services to pupils in K-12 who reside on Indian reservations, to submit a written report to the governor, legislature, secretary of state.

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		Title: **H.B. 2579 Joint Legislative Study Committee on Reservation Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	States that the governor may appoint study commissions as he deems appropriate to study education questions, issue findings and make recommendations to the Education Coordinating Council. This provision will go into effect upon signature to allow the current Education Reform Commission to continue. The Education Coordinating Council (ECC) is created and is assigned 15 duties, some of which include exercising oversight of accountability systems in other departments and coordinating the activities of state, regional and local cooperative public education agencies, offices or councils. The Office of Education Accountability (OEA) is also created. The OEA is directed to establish accountability policies and standards for the state and establish the "official" report card. The governor and the OEA will give rewards to successful schools. The State Board of Education is given the task of mandating interventions for failing schools, including appointing special masters, mandating school improvement teams, removing school personnel, allowing for a state charter school, mandating the complete reconstitution of the school and hiring all new staff and mandating that parents have the option to relocate to another public school in the district. The OEA develops and both the council and the State Board of Education adopt a definition for which students are performing "below grade level" and the definition of "dropout." It is charged wit h setting the pass score for standardized and end-of-course tests. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Education Oversight Committee and Office of Education Accountability** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Creates the Childhood Hunger Prevention Act and amends the School Free Lunch Program Act; changes the name of the act to the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act; requires the State Board of Education to fund a breakfast incentive program, subject to appropriation, whereby the State Board of Education is allowed to reimburse sponsors of school breakfast programs, to make grants to school boards and certain schools or other sites. Title: **H.B. 2379 Lunch and Breakfast Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Transfers the powers of the state school board to the Department of Children, Families, and Learning. Title: **S.B. 86 Transfer of Powers from State Board to Department** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Student Incentives		
FL	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to student standards for participation in interscholastic extracurricular student activities; relates to the gradepoint average of students participating in interscholastic extracurricular activities; requires execution of a contract if a student falls below a certain cumulative gradepoint average; amends the bylaws of the governing organization of high school athletics relating to student eligibility. Title: **S.B. 92 Extracurricular Eligibility** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires the juvenile and domestic relations court to order the denial of driving privileges for at least 30 days to any child at least 13 years of age upon a finding that the child has failed to comply with certain school attendance and parent -school conference meeting requirements. Title: **H.B. 490 Attendance/Driving Privileges** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Student Records/Rights		
CO	Signed by governor	Centers on a conduct and discipline code with identified violations to result in actions taken. Forms the basis for annual reporting to local board and state

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	Jun-00	department. Addresses juvenile delinquency records of students and "pertinent performance record or disciplinary record" of a teacher applying for a position. Requires districts to adopt policies of students at risk of suspension/expulsion and to devise plans necessary to intervene prior to those actions. Expands grounds for suspension, expulsion and denial of admission to include students declared "habitually disruptive." Redefines "right s of free expression for public school students" to clarify and more clearly define threats to safety or threats of violence to property or persons. Title: **S.B. 133 Safe Schools** Source: *Colorado Association of School Executives*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	States that a school district shall not release the education records of a student to any person, agency or organization without the prior written consent of the parent or legal guardian of the student except as otherwise permitted in 20 U.S.C. SEC. 1232G (B). Title: **H.B. 1202 Release of Student Education Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Apr-00	Concerns the exchange of information related to children; authorizes an exchange of information between schools and law enforcement agencies; allows any criminal justice agency or assessment center for children in the state to release any information or records that the agency or center may have concerning a specific child to the principal of the school, or such person's designee, at whi ch the child is or will be enrolled as a student. Title: **H.B. 1119 Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to public records; provides access to student records by school readiness coalitions and the Florida Partnership for School Readiness; provides an exemption from public-records requirements for records of children in subsidized child care programs and school readiness programs. Title: **S.B. 2250 Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Vetoed Jun-00	Relates to annual public disclosure reports; encourages certain grading practices; authorizes school districts to abandon certain high school grading practices; authorizes a weighted grading system for purposes of class ranking. Title: **S.B. 990 Changes in High School Grading Practices** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to disclosure by a postsecondary education institution of information to the parent or guardian of a student; relates to personal information regarding a violation of a law or institutional rule governing the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance. Title: **H.B. 2437 Disclosure of Student Information** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires a local board of education to develop a policy regarding the possession and use of personal telecommunications devices by a student on school property or at a school-related activity; deletes language prohibiting the possession and use of a paging device by a student on school property or at a school-related activity. Title: **H.B. 266 Paging Devices** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Exempts certain testing instruments, test answers and individual student test scores from the public records laws. Title: **S.B. 33A Testing**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Prohibits public institutions of higher education, public schools or the state from printing or having printed a Social Security number on any type of identification card; prohibits the Motor Vehicle Administration from using, including or encoding a Social Security number on an individual's driver's license. Title: **H.B. 37 Use of Social Security Numbers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 1620]; Allows any person who was a student at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf between 1974 and 1998 to bring an action against the school notwithstanding any provision of the law limiting the time period for which an action may be commenced or concerning the Maine Tort Claims Act. Title: **H.B. 1135 Legal Action** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Mar-00	[Public Law No. 595, (LD 1933)]; Allows a juvenile's school to disseminate information about the juvenile to the court and a criminal justice agency under certain conditions; provides that information remains confidential and may not be further disseminated. Title: **S.B. 687 Transfer of Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act 88]; Prohibits the release of student education records and teacher addresses and telephone numbers under certain circumstances; provides an exemption to the Freedom of Information Act; relates to the Family Educational Rights Act of 1974. Title: **S.B. 588 Student Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act 87]; Relates to elementary and secondary education; provides for policies on school locker searches. Title: **H.B. 5233 School Locker Searches** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to crime; authorizes certain behavioral data on students to be disclosed to the juvenile justice system; provides for data sharing between probation officers and school officials for juveniles on probation; provides that when a juvenile has been adjudicated delinquent for certain violations of criminal law that the disposition order shall be shared with certain school officials; law enforcement and specified others. Title: **H.B. 2833 Records Sharing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor Jul-00	Relates to Project SAVE (Schools Against Violence in Education); relates to students and student discipline relates to improving school safety; relates to directing courts to provide schools with notification of criminal and juvenile delinquency adjudications against students; relates to the regulation of conduct on school grounds or school district property. Title: **S.B. 8236 Project SAVE** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Authorizes school districts to request disciplinary and nondirectory educational records from districts in which a student was formerly enrolled to ascertain safety issues with incoming students and ensure full disclosure when a student is in the process of enrolling in the new district. Defines disciplinary records to include but not be limited to all information that relates to a student assaulting, carrying weapons, possessing illegal drugs, including alcohol, and any incident that poses a potential dangerous threat to students or school personnel.

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		Title: **S.B. 1533 Disclosure of Records** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
SC	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to the maintenance, release and confidentiality of juvenile records pursuant to the juvenile justice code; authorizes release of information among the Department of Juvenile Justice, solicitor's offices, the attorney general and other law enforcement agencies; authorizes the transmission of records of adjudication and pending criminal cases to a school official if the juvenile is or may be a student at the school. Title: **H.B. 4003 Juvenile Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Feb-00	Allows law enforcement agencies to report certain violations of law and threats made by a student. Title: **H.B. 1192 Reporting by Law Enforcement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires student to be enrolled in school under name that appears on certificate of birth and to use that throughout school career. Title: **S.B. 1882 Student Names** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Urges the Department of Education to prepare and provide to all public schools guides to legally permissible practices for disclosure and sharing of student disciplinary information among educators. Title: **S.J.R. 620 Records Sharing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor May-00	Requires, no later than 8/1/01, local school boards to develop and implement policies to ensure that public school students are not required to convey or deliver any materials that advocate the election or defeat or any candidate for elective office, advocate that passage or defeat of any referendum question, or advocate the passage or defeat of any matter pending before a local school board, local governing body or the General Assembly or Congress. Title: **H.B. 1541 Student Involvement in Politics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor May-00	Requires juveniles found delinquent and adults found guilty for a first drug offense be subject to periodic substance abuse testing, drug treatment and education; mandates six months extra time on a felony sentence if the mandatory drug assessment indicates a substance-abuse problem. Title: **S.B. 153 Drug Testing for Certain Juveniles** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits local school boards to require as a condition for re-enrollment or continued enrollment in public school, that students who have been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of drug-related offenses submit to drug testing; provides that Board of Education regulations will govern such initiatives that may be adopted by local school boards. Title: **H.B. 588 Drug Testing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs school boards to adopt regulations governing student searches; requires regulations be consistent with relevant state and federal law. Title: **H.B. 1445 Student Searches** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by	Requires school board employees administering tests or other assessment

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	governor Mar-00	instrument to disclose to the public school students being tested that such students are not required to respond to any inquiry regarding their race or ethnicity on any such test or instrument, and that they may respond to any such inquiry by indicating other. Title: **S.B. 224 Disclosure of Ethnicity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs school boards to adopt regulations governing student searches; requires regulations be consistent with relevant state and federal law. Title: **H.B. 1445 Student Searches** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires that schools be notified of firearm violations by students; states whenever a minor enrolled in any common school is convicted in adult criminal court, or adjudicated or entered into a diversion agreement with the juvenile court on a sex offense, inhaling toxic fumes, controlled substance violation, liquor violation or any crime under specified chapters, the court must notify the principal of the student's school of the disposition of the case. Title: **S.B. 6206 Notification of Student Offenses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Declares an intent to allow students to broaden the types of fundraisers they may conduct for charitable purposes in their private non-associated student body capacities, and ensure that these funds will be separate from student body funds to avoid constitutional issues pertaining to the gifting of public funds. Title: **H.B. 2332 Student Fundraisers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Vetoed May-00	Relates to disclosure of pupil records by the Department of Public instruction IDPI); conforms an exception to federal law; allows DPI to disclose information to U.S. Comptroller General or U.S. Secretary of Education or appropriate state agencies; allows DPI to charge requesting person a fee sufficient to cover the cost of deleting from the record information that is prohibited from being disclosed under state or federal law. Title: **A.B. 663 Disclosure of Pupil Records** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Students		
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Establishes the Hawaii state student council, with student representatives from each departmental school district; requires the council to conduct an annual conference of secondary students; requires the council to determine whether to select the student member of the Board of Education or to run an election to select the individual. Title: **H.B. 284 State Student Council** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-771]; Creates the Dissection Alternatives Act; provides that schools may excuse a student from performing or observing dissection and may allow the student to instead perform an alternative project; provides that students may not be penalized for refusing to participate in or observe dissection; applies to the 2000-01 academic year; amends the definition of dissection. Title: **H.B. 3254 Students May Be Excused from Dissections** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to educators; modifies the Public Officers and Employees Ethics Act as related to activities for students organized by an educator; provides that the State Board of Education establish ethical conduct standards.

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		Title: **H.B. 156 Ethical Conduct Standards for Activities** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Summer School		
CA	Signed by governor Jul-00	Renames summer school instructional programs as supplemental instructional programs and authorizes the programs also to be offered before school. Requires the governing board of each school district to offer that supplemental instruction to pupils in grades 2-9, inclusive, who have been recommended for retention. Title: **S.B. 1683 Mandatory Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Act No. 91-4587]; Amends the School Code to provide that the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall provide funding for school report cards and criminal background investigations; adds the Summer Bridges Program to the programs included in the general education block grant. Title: **H.B. 4587 Safety, School Report Cards, Background Checks, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	States that school districts may adopt student promotion policies which require remediation as a condition of promotion of student not mastering grade-level skills and competencies as established by local board. Districts may also require parents or guardians of such students to commit to home-based tutorial activities with their children. Remediation may include mandatory summer school program. School districts providing remediation outside of the traditional school day may count extra hours of instruction in the calculation of average daily attendance. The state board shall establish a method for determining effectiveness of the remediation to students. No public school student shall be promoted to a higher grade level unless that student has a reading-ability level at or above one grade level below the student's grade level. Title: **H.B. 889 District Promotion/Remediation Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Rearranges paragraphs of the Standards of Quality pertaining to remediation programs and requirements in order to provide consistency, clarity and readability; clarifies that any student who does not pass literacy tests or any of the Standards of Learning assessments in grades 3, 5 or 8 must be required to attend a summer school program or to participate in another form of remediation and that any student who passes one or more, but not all, may attend a remediation program. Title: **H.B. 1353 Remediation, Summer School** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Certification/Licensure		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to school employees; requires the board to establish minimum requirements regarding teacher certification reciprocity, which includes a reciprocal, six-month teaching certificate if the person possesses a valid teaching certificate from a state with similar criminal history or fingerprinting requirements and provides proof of submission of an application for a fingerprint clearance card. Title: **H.B. 2265 Reciprocity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Mar-00	Addresses testing as a requirement for teacher certification. States that the proficiency exam "shall consist of only a professional knowledge test and a subject knowledge test," and that it is not required if the person has already passed a component on a proficiency exam which has been adopted in another state and which has been determined to be equivalent. Title: **S.B. 1084 Testing Prior to Certification** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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CA	Signed by governor Nov-99	[Chapter No. 704]; Requires, subject to the availability of funding, the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to make improvements to increase access to the state basic skills proficiency tests and to improve exam-related services provided to candidates for teaching credentials. Requires the commission to adopt these improvements in consultation with the Department of Finance and to report all improvements to the legislature. Title: **A.B. 1282 Teacher Candidate Preparation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Nov-99	[Chapter No. 711]; Requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to ensure, by 07/01/02, that an accredited program of professional preparation satisfies standards established by the commission for the preparation of teachers for all pupils, including English language learners. The standards would be required to be based upon an independent job analysis of the essential knowledge, skills and abilities needed by all classroom teachers to develop English language skills while maintaining academic progress. Title: **A.B. 1059 Standards for Professional Preparation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Nov-99	[Chapter No. 710]; Provides that a conviction of encouraging or contributing to the delinquency of persons under 18 years of age when it involves lewd and lascivious conduct or any offense committed or attempted in any other state or against the laws of the U.S. which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punished as one or more of certain offenses, is a conviction that, upon becoming final, requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to revoke a credential. Title: **A.B. 1067 Teacher Ethics** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 623]; Deletes the option for an out-of-state candidate for a preliminary single subject credential to complete an examination on the various methods of teaching reading; requires an out-of-state applicant for the preliminary multiple or single subject teaching credential to complete successfully a commission-approved program; appropriates monies from the Test Development Administration Account to fund the commission for the purpose of completing statutorily mandated test-validation studies. Title: **A.B. 466 Certification Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Requires the State Board of Education to identify by rule those professional competencies required of applicants for provisional teaching licenses and certain professional teaching licenses; limits those professional competencies to the scope of the subject matter to be taught and specifically to the state model content standards. Title: **S.B. 195 Competencies for Provisional Teaching Licenses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Apr-00	Permits state board to grant professional licenses to teachers, special services providers, principals and administrators if the applicant is from another state and held a comparable license in the other state, the standards for the comparable license meet or exceed the standards for such a license in Colorado or the applicant has had at least three years of successful, evaluated experience. Title: **H.B. 1151 Reciprocity** Source: *Colorado Association of School Boards*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Bars State Board of Education from issuing a teacher or administrator license to anyone convicted of certain felonies for five years after serving sentence; makes changes in education law relative to employees suspected of child abuse,

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		Title: **H.B. 5317 Teacher and Administrator Certification Restrictions for Felons** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act. Beginning in 2002, at least 20% of educator's performance evaluation will be tied to student improvement – teachers and administrators who fail to measure up can be dismissed. Establishes more rigorous system of professional development, teaching standards, licensure and certification requirements; expands the salary system to include compensations for skills and knowledge. Encourages focused, career-long professional development and compensates teachers for additional responsibilities or becoming National Board certified. Title: **S.B. 260 Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides that the Professional Standards Commission shall grant a renewable certificate in a teaching field to an applicant who meets certain conditions; specifies such conditions for the granting of a renewable certificate at the four-year level. Title: **S.B. 336 Certificate Renewal Conditions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates that holders of a renewable certificate must pass a computer skills competency test before they can receive certification renewal. Successful completion of the phase one InTech model training at a state educational technology training center or a State Board of Education approved redelivery team shall be acceptable for certificate renewal purposes. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Certification and Computer Competency** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
HI	Signed by governor May-00	Allows the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board to extend teaching credentials for teachers for the 2000-01 and 2001-02 school years on a case-by-case basis for teachers who are unable to become licensed due to extenuating circumstances. Title: **H.B. 2490 Waivers for Lack of Credentials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the designation of investigative information possessed by the Board of Educational Examiners as privileged and confidential; relates to licensee discipline. Title: **S.B. 292 Investigative Information Confidential** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the authority of the Board of Educational Examiners over certification and licensing of para-educators and practitioners; broadens the authority of the Board of Educational Examiners; provides for the certification, rather than licensing, of a para-educator. Title: **H.B. 2146 Para-Educators/Practitioners** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-765]; Amends the School Code; exempts all persons holding a special certificate with a special education endorsement from provisions of the School Code concerning preschool educational programs, provided these persons meet all the other requirements for teaching. Title: **H.B. 2940 Preschool Special Education Programs** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-784]; Provides that the provision (Article of the School Code) requiring the assignment of a surrogate parent for educational matters does not apply to a child who resides with a foster parent; allows the surrogate parent to be

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		assigned for educational matters if the child is a ward of the state residing in a residential facility; requires special education teachers to be categorically certified in order to teach a student with a specific disability. Title: **S.B. 1447 Changes in Special Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that an individual seeking licensure as an elementary teacher must demonstrate proficiency in comprehensive reading instruction skills, including phonemic awareness and phonic instruction, through a written examination or other procedures prescribed by the professional standards board. Title: **S.B. 352 Proficiency in Reading Instruction** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates an alternative teaching certification at K-12 and vocational institutions for veterans with at least six years on active duty, discharged or released from active duty, at least a bachelor's degree in the subject-matter area for which certification is sought, a minimum gradepoint average and a passing score on the national exam; provides for provisional certification; provides for certification of eligible veterans with four or more years of occupational experience. Title: **H.B. 76 Alternative Certification for Veterams** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to certified professional counselors; includes licensed professional counseling boards; allows for reciprocity of certification with other states; provides for educational and professional experience levels required for certification by endorsement. Title: **H.B. 290 Reciprocity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor May-00	[Public Law No. 783, (LD 2505)]; Lowers eligibility standards for child development students to apply to the Educators for the Maine Program; allows child development students to fulfill Educators for Maine Program return service requirements by working in a child care facility; provides for tuition assistance and loans. Title: **S.B. 963 Teacher Eligibility Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2301]; Creates a new certificate authorizing a person to teach in an area determined to be a teacher shortage area. Title: **S.B. 886 Teachers for Shortage Areas** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ME	Signed by governor Mar-00	[LD 2387]; Amends the qualifying examination for initial teacher certification. Title: **S.B. 937 Certification Exam** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Directs the Board of Teaching to develop a competency-based license for adult learners as an alternative to the current licensing requirements. The Board must develop recommendations for the legislature, in consultation with a task force, and report to the legislature by January 15, 2002. Title: **H.B. 3800 License for Teaching Adult Learners** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor May-00	Enacts a graduated licensing system. Title: **S.B. 3176 Graduated Licensing for Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by	Requires the State Board of Education to extend the licenses of certain educators

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	governor Apr-00	who have completed a master's or doctorate degree in o rder to fulfill new renewal requirements established by the board. Title: **H.B. 845 Licensure Renewal Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the State Board of Education to recognize vocational and technical education teachers' summer work in their respective fields in fulfillment of licensure renewal requirements; requires classes taken for licensure renewal purposes to be in furtherance of a bachelor's degree if the teacher does not have a degree. Title: **H.B. 1212 Vocational/Technical Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to substitute teacher certification requirements. Title: **H.B. 409 Substitute Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jul-00	Authorizes a substitute teacher who holds a lapsed or expired certificate or has a bachelors degree to teach up to 100 days during a school year. Removes all limits on number of days a certified substitute teacher can teach. Removes the prohibition on paying stipends to teachers who attend professional development institutes in reading. Authorizes Teacher Preparation Commission to pay all stipends. Title: **H.B. 2000 Substitute Teachers** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Requires school districts to ensure that teachers of honors courses are certified to teach in the subject area of the honors course taught. Title: **S.B. 1392 Qualifications of Teachers Teaching Honors-Level Courses** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	States that teachers employed by a public school or certified after 1999 to teach mathematics in grades 6-8 must be certified to teach intermediate- or secondary-level math. Any teacher hired without such certifcation prior to July 1, 2000, must obtain the proper certification, but can take the subject area competency exam at no cost. Teachers employed in 1998-99 school year may teach grades 7 and 8 if they successfully complete a professional development institute in intermediate mathematics developed and administered by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation or the State Board of Education. Can participate one time free of charge. Teachers holding middle/junior high math endorsements during the 1998-99 school year who have completed at least 24 semester hours of math (at least six of which are algebra) may teach 7th- or 8th-grade mathematics. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Qualifications** Source: *Lexis-Nexis*
SC	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to hearings of the State Board of Education, so as to permit the Board to designate a hearing officer as well as one of its members to hold hearings for the purpose of hearing matters relating to the suspension or revocation of teacher certificates; requires the hearing officer to make a recommendation to the board for final action; relates to the South Carolina Commission of Archives and History. Title: **H.B. 4616 Hearing Officers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Aug-00	Provides that the State Board of Education shall review and make necessary revisions to criteria for requesting out-of-field teacher permits; provides that the board shall consider establishing for principals a recertification requirement; provides that the board and the Department of Education shall review and refine certain professional performance dimensions in the state's teacher evaluation program.

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		Title: **S.B. 1111 Alternative Certification, Adds Days to the School Year, Teacher Evaluation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Apr-00	Allows teachers at nonpublic schools to receive professional licensure on same basis as similarly qualified public school teachers. Title: **H.B. 2680 Nonpublic School Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Specifies the teacher employed as probationary teacher for one year and as an apprentice teacher for two years will be considered as having met the three apprentice years requirement. Title: **S.B. 2182 Apprentice Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates a Reading Performance Improvement Scholarship Program to assist selected elementary teachers in obtaining a reading endorsement. Title: **H.B. 397 Incentive for Reading Endorsement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to disclosure of information relating to prior school employment; provides that an applicant for a teacher's license provide the licensing authority with an affidavit listing the higher education institutions attended by the applicant, and whether the applicant's enrollment or eligibility for completion of a program was terminated by the institutions. Title: **H.B. 303 Teacher Licensing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that a school district may employ unlicensed teachers who possess outstanding professional qualifications under a letter of authorization. Title: **H.B. 119 School Boards, Unlicensed Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes a mechanism for local school boards to issue three-year local teacher licenses. Title: **S.B. 113 Board Issuance of Three-Year Licenses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Authorizes the Board of Education to suspend or revoke the teaching or administrative license of any person who knowingly and willfully commits specified acts regarding secure mandatory tests administered to students required by the Code of Virginia or by the Board of Education. Title: **H.B. 867 Revocation of License for Cheating** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Board of Education to provide for licensure by reciprocity for individuals holding a valid out-of-state license and national certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; requires evidence of such valid licensure and national certification; does not require official student transcripts. Title: **S.B. 289 Reciprocity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Board of Education to provide for licensure by reciprocity for individuals holding a valid out-of-state teaching license and national certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Title: **H.B. 473 Teacher Licensure Reciprocity**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Passed Dec-99	Concerns section titled "Establishment of a Database for Performance-Based Assessments." "During the 1999 -2000 school year, the institution of higher education and the West Virginia Department of Education jointly will focus on the identification of criteria for inclusion in the performance-based assessments. Beginning with the 2000-01 school year, each teacher education unit will develop a comprehensive long-term plan for the initiation of performance-based assessments of the unit, its candidates and graduates, and its programs." State department to provide technical assistance. Title: **5100.9.6.1 of Title 126 Series 114 of WV Regs "Approval of Educational Personnel Programs"** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Compensation		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the Teacher Accountability Act; provides for performance-based contracts for principals; provides for alternative principal certification procedures; provides hearing procedures to challenge employment action taken against a principal; establishes linkage with the Teachers' National Average Salary Bill; relates to the Teacher Tenure Law; provides for the appeal of transfers of teachers; adds failure to perform duties to grounds for termination., Title: **H.B. 285 Teacher and Principal Performance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Appropriates for the fiscal year beginning 10/1/01, and for each fiscal year thereafter 41.15% of any increase in Education Trust Fund revenues from the previous fiscal year as estimated by the Director of Finance and approved by the governor for teacher salary increases until such time the national average for teachers' salaries is reached as determined by the director of finance and approved by the governor. Title: **H.B. 204 Fund for Teacher Salary Increases** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides further for the conditions under which a person retired under the Teachers' Retirement System or the Employees' Retirement System may be employed by an employer participating in either of the systems without having his or her retirement allowance suspended. Title: **S.B. 485 Teacher Retirement Allowances** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides an equivalent percent cost-of-living adjustment for certain public education employees with the beginning of the 2000-01 fiscal year; requires a revision of the state salary matrix for certificated personnel; requires revisions of local salary schedules to reflect the cost-of-living adjustments for the 2000-01 fiscal year. Title: **H.B. 202 Cost-of-Living Salary Adjustments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for an increase to the transaction privilege tax rate from 5.0% to 5.6% to provide greater funding for teacher salaries, to increase the school year, and to provide additional funding for other maintenance and operation education programs, university research and development programs and community college workforce development; makes the act conditional on the voter approving the general transaction privilege tax rate increase at the next general election. Title: **S.B. 1007E Tax Increase** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor	Allows a credit for each taxable year beginning on or after 01/01/00, to credentialed teachers in an amount equal to specified amounts depending upon

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	Jun-00	years of service as a teacher. Title: **A.B. 2879 Teacher Tax Credit** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor May-00	[Chapter No. 22]; Relates to State Teachers' Retirement Law, the service retirement allowance of a retired member shall be reduced if the member's post - retirement compensation from specified activities exceeds a certain dollar amount; however, creditable service performed by a retired member in an emergency situation to fill a vacant administrative position is exempt from the calculation of that earnings limitation in specified circumstances. Title: **A.B. 141 Teacher Retirement Allowances** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Provides that if a salary change has costs to the school district or county office of education that are equal to or greater than the incentive received, the minimum salary would be required to be $32,000 by the conclusion of the 2000-01 fiscal year, and the school district or county office of education would be required, for the 1999-2000 fiscal year, to provide for beginning salary cell increases of at least 50% of implementing a minimum annual $32,000 salary. Title: **A.B. 1451 Teacher Salaries** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns maintenance of public employee retirement benefits for retirees who are hired as nonlicensed employees by a school district during a critical employee shortage. Title: **H.B. 1222 Maintenance of Retirement Benefits During Teacher Shortages** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act. Beginning in 2002, at least 20% of educator's performance evaluation will be tied to student improvement – teachers and administrators who fail to measure up can be dismissed. Establishes more rigorous system of professional development, teaching standards, licensure and certification requirements; expands the salary system to include compensations for skills and knowledge. Encourages focused, career-long professional development and compensates teachers for additional responsibilities or becoming National Board certified. Title: **S.B. 260 Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps scholarship program to help low-wage early childhood staff obtain further training. Title: **S.B. 212 Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Scholarship** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	States that teachers receiving National Board Certification will receive a 10% increase in salary. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Compensation and National Board Certification** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Amends existing law to provide that a certificated employee of a public school district shall be 55 years old before September 1 of the year application is made for early retirement. Title: **H.B. 637 Early Retirement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by	Permits a district to establish a sick-leave bank for school employees in addition to

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	governor Apr-00	teachers; provides for both teachers and employees to participate in the sharing of sick leave under specific conditions; adds sick-leave bank benefits for castastrophic loss to personal or real property; requires certification of the need for a leave of absence by a physician only if the leave is due to illness, injury, impairment, or a physical or mental condition. Title: **H.B. 373 Sick-Leave Banks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires school boards that provide a sick-leave program to certified employees also provide a sick-leave program for noncertified employees of school boards; purchases service credit for each employee's unused sick leave not in excess of six months; allows unlimited accumulation of sick leave days. Title: **H.B. 675 Sick Leave** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides that persons fired after 08/01/00, who participate in State Employees Retirement System, County Employees Retirement System, State Police Retirement System, or Teachers' Retirement System, shall forfeit retirement benefits if convicted of a felony related to their employment. Title: **H.B. 737 Forfeiture of Retirement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Jun-00	States that goal is to increase pay for elementary and secondary teachers in amount necessary (determined by legislature) to annually achieve statewide average equal to the Southern Regional Education Board average. Same applies to postsecondary faculty. Provides 4% for all other personnel of elementary and secondary systems and of universities under jurisdiction of the Board of Regents in amounts as determined by the legislature. Not less than 80% of monies in Educational Enhancement Fund to be used for pay increases and other purposes. Title: **H.B. 30B Pay Increases for Teachers and Faculty** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MA	Governor's veto overridden Jun-00	Improves teacher recruitment, retention and retirement. Creates an early retirement system, which the governor has opposed. Title: **H.B. 5116 Early Retirement** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Requires the state to add 1% to salaries for teachers in any public school system that increases teachers pay by 4% and provides additional funds for other educational purposes. (Under this Teacher Salaries Challenge Program, teachers would receive a 10% pay raise by the fall of 2001.) Title: **S.B. 810 Governor's Teacher Salary Challenge Program** Source: *http://mlis.state.md.us*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Declares the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Housing and Community Development develop a program to promote homeownership opportunities for teachers in consultation with the State Board of Education and local boards of education; provides for the effective date of this act. Title: **S.B. 206 Homeownership Opportunities for Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Governor's Teacher Salary Challenge Program; requires the State Board of Education to make specified grants to county boards of education under certain circumstances; requires county boards of education under certain circumstances to submit certain applications to the Department of Budget and Management and the State Superintendent of Schools by a certain date. Title: **H.B. 1247 Salaries**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes and implements a superior-performing and exemplary schools program for identifying and granting financial incentives to low-performing schools that improve and to the highest performing schools in their classification; provides for school improvement plans for priority schools and the appointment of assistance teams; provides professional development and evaluation of principals, teachers and superintendents; raises salaries for teachers and assistant teachers. Title: **H.B. 1134 Financial Incentives for Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Includes public school librarians' professional experience in public libraries in the definition of the term year of teaching experience as used for determining their salaries in the public schools. Title: **H.B. 903 Librarians'Compensation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates a 14-member task force that will study teacher salaries and report to the legislature by October 1. The task force will be directed to examine, among other things, the issue of whether the state should have greater control over Nebraska educational processes and facilities if the state provided substantial funding for teachers' salaries. Also authorizes the Nebraska Volunteer Services Commission to apply for funding from the Corporation for National Service. The funding will be used by the commission to provide incentives to college graduates to establish their teaching careers in Nebraska and to experienced Nebraska teachers to pursue graduate degrees. Title: **L.B. 1399 Salary Study** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Prohibits school districts from increasing or reducing fringe benefits to meet the $3,000 salary increase mandated for teachers. Clarifies that school districts that do not use the Oklahoma Cost Accounting System are to be penalized by reduction in state aid payments. Authorizes Department of Education to reduce state aid payments to districts that willfully pay teachers less than the mandated minimum salary. Raises the flexible benefit allowance for support personnel to $170.24 per month. Title: **S.B. 901 Teacher Salaries** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
OK	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides a $3,000 salary increase to state-paid certified personnel beginning with the 2000-01 school year and increases the minimum teacher salary to reflect the increase. Title: **H.B. 2653 Salary Schedule** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
OR	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[MEASURE 95]; Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution regarding performance pay for teachers; provides that student learning determines teacher pay; establishes that the teachers' qualifications, not seniority, determine retention. Title: **V. 19; (NEW BILL) Performance Pay, Seniority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Raises the amount of part-time gross pay retired professors and teachers may earn from employment by a state college or the Department of Education. Title: **S.B. 2376 Part-Time Professors/Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Defines long-term substitute teachers; requires certain reporting on the use of long-term substitute teachers.

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		Title: **S.B. 172 Long-Term Substitutes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides that local teacher retirement funds should be well-managed; requires annual reports to local legislative bodies. Title: **S.B. 2755 Management of Retirement Funds, Reports** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Provides for the state retirement system, rather than the school boards, to develop the policies and procedures to administer the optional retirement plan which may be offered for certain employees of public school divisions, and to determine the contribution by the school boards to such retirement plan; provides that school boards which previously elected to provide an alternative retirement plan may elect to have the foregoing provisions apply to such plan. Title: **H.B. 79 Retirement System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 732]; Provides annual cost-of-living salary adjustments to school district employees, academic employees of community and technical college districts and certain employees of technical colleges; bases the annual increase on the Consumer Price Index. Title: **V. 27 Ballot Initiative - Cost-of-Living Adjustments** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for personal-leave banks for school personnel who are caregivers; defines catastrophic illness or injury. Title: **H.B. 4314 Personal-Leave Banks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Evalulation		
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Requires the governing board of each school district to adopt rules and regulations establishing school district policy related to training for administrators who evaluate certified employees. Requires an administrator assigned to evaluate employees to receive this training by 1/1/05. Title: **A.B. 361 Training for Evaluators** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Apr-00	Strengthens the relationship between teacher evaluations and the provisions for teacher dismissal for incompetence. Title: **H.B. 5275 Teacher Evaluation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Allows one local school district the ability to pilot a professional development and/or evaluation plan. Title: **S.B. 343 Professional Development/Evaluation Pilot** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act. Beginning in 2002, at least 20% of educator's performance evaluation will be tied to student improvement – teachers and administrators who fail to measure up can be dismissed. Establishes more rigorous system of professional development, teaching standards, licensure and certification requirements; expands the salary system to include compensations for skills and knowledge. Encourages focused, career-long professional development and compensates teachers for additional responsibilities or becoming National Board certified. Title: **S.B. 260 Professional Development and Educator Accountability Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by	States that teacher evaluations must include evaluation of student achievement and

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	governor Mar-00	communication skills with parents, students, teachers, administrators and others. The State Board of Education will set standards and specifications for teacher evaluations. All certificated personnel must be evaluated by a trained evaluator. If student assessments have not been administered and scored at the time of evaluation, the evaluation shall be performed on the basis of information available at the time. As results of student assessments subsequently become available, an addendum to the initial report shall be completed and become part of the teacher's cumulative evaluative record; these cumulative student assessment results may be used in a teacher's subsequent annual evaluations. Teachers will not advance a step on the salary schedule if they receive an unsatisfactory evaluation. A person who has received two unsatisfactory annual performance evaluations in a five-year period shall not be entitled to a renewable certificate. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Evaluation Components** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
LA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to the evaluation of school personnel; provides relative to the powers and duties of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; provides relative to the monitoring of evaluation programs by the State Department of Education; relates to the implementation of such programs. Title: **S.B. 23A Evaluation of School Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Aug-00	Provides that the State Board of Education shall review and make necessary revisions to criteria for requesting out-of-field teacher permits; provides that the board shall consider establishing for principals a recertification requirement; provides that the board and the Department of Education shall review and refine certain professional performance dimensions in the state's teacher evaluation program. Title: **S.B. 1111 Alternative Certification, Adds Days to the School Year, Teacher Evaluation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the Board of Education, to bring a cause of action for injunctive relief or civil penalty, or both, against any person who knowingly and willfully commits specified acts regarding secure mandatory tests administered to students required by the specified code or by the Board of Education; provides for civil penalties of specified amounts; suspends or revokes license of persons who knowingly commit specific acts. Title: **S.B. 548 Cheating** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Mentors/Induction		
KS	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns schools and school district; relates to employment of personnel; includes incentives for national certification and mentoring of first-year teachers. Title: **S.B. 432 Incentives for National Board Certification; Mentoring** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Professional Development		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No.685]; Extends the 01/01/95 date by which a teacher would be required to be a permanent employee to 01/01/99 and the 01/01/00 deadline for the completion of the staff development required to 01/01/05. Authorizes a teacher who completes staff development in methods of specially designed content instruction delivered in English to provide that instruction in any departmentalized teaching assignment consistent with the authorization of the basic credential. Title: **S.B. 395 Staff Development Requirements** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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Teacher Quality		
KS	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns schools and school district; relates to employment of personnel; includes incentives for national certification and mentoring of first-year teachers. Title: **S.B. 432 Incentives for National Board Certification; Mentoring** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Enhances learning in public schools; reimburses nationally certified teachers; establishes an Office of Education Technology; studies the public education requirement workforce; increases the voting requirement for school district referenda; limits certain transfers of school funds. Title: **H.B. 1257 Technology Office, Referenda, Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Reimburses public school teachers who become nationally certified. Title: **H.B. 1255 National Board Certification** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board to serve as an advisory body to the superintendent of public instruction and as the sole advisory body to the State Board of Education on issues related to educator recruitment, hiring, preparation, certification, mentoring and support, professional growth, retention, governance, prospective teacher pedagogy assessment, prospective evaluation, and revocation and suspension of licensure. Title: **H.B. 2760 Professional Educator Standards Board** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to exemption from motor vehicle and travel rules, goals for postsecondary education, retirement and separation incentives; defines terms; relates to compact with higher education, institutional compacts, peer institutions, legislative financing goals, financing, base funding, additional funding, statewide task force on teacher quality, statewide task force on student financial aid and graduate education. Title: **S.B. 653 Teacher Quality, Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Recruitment/Shortages		
AZ	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to postsecondary education; relates to in-state student status for postsecondary education; permits public school teachers to qualify as in-state residents without the required one year state residency. Title: **H.B. 2123 In-State Tuition for Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 650]; Relates to existing law which requires 60% of the warrants distributed each year to be awarded to applicants who agree to obtain a teaching credential in subject areas that are designated as current or projected shortage areas; provides a number of warrants to be issued to applicants who agree to provide classroom instruction in a school district serving a rural area. Title: **A.B. 31 Teachers in Shortage Areas** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 651]; Extends the assumption program of loans for education to applicants who agree to provide classroom instruction, commencing with the 2000-01 school year, in school districts with a high percentage of teachers holding emergency permits. Title: **S.B. 131 Incentives for Certified Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by	Relates to PROMISE teacher's scholarships; changes the requirements for

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	governor Mar-00	eligibility for the scholarship; defines certain terms. Title: **H.B. 1619 PROMISE Teacher\ Scholarships** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	States that in schools and school systems where there is an insufficient supply of qualified teachers in mathematics, science, special education or foreign language, teachers may be advanced an additional step on the salary schedule if they agree to teach in these areas. The Office of Educational Accountability shall decide whether a school or a system is experiencing a shortage. This program is dependent on funding from the General Assembly. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Teacher Recruitment for Areas Experiencing Shortages** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates PROMISE Scholarships in teacher education for paraprofessionals and instructional aides who were employed in a public school in Georgia throughout the 1999-2000 school year. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Recruitment of Paraprofessionals into Teaching Field** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-831]; Provides that beginning October 1, 2000, the Department of Human Services shall operate a Great START (Strategy to Attract and Retain Teachers) program to improve children's educational outcomes in child care by encouraging increased professional preparation by staff and staff retention. Title: **H.B. 4021 Retaining Teachers for Child Care** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to teachers'retirement act; defines critical shortage area as a lack of certified teachers in particular subject matters, in grade levels, or in geographic locations as determined by the commissioner of education; implements the hiring of teachers in critical shortage areas; provides that a retired member may return to work in a critical shortage area without loss of retirement benefits; permits school districts to hire retired members as full-time employees. Title: **H.B. 519 Retired Teachers May Return to Work** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Declares the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Housing and Community Development develop a program to promote homeownership opportunities for teachers in consultation with the State Board of Education and local boards of education; provides for the effective date of this act. Title: **S.B. 206 Homeownership Opportunities for Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Exempts from an offset of a retirement allowance retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers'Pension System who are employed in specified personnel positions; requires county boards of education to provide information to the State Retirement Agency on personnel who qualify for the exemption. Allows retired school principals to be re-employed as principals under certain conditions without losing retirement benefits. Title: **S.B. 220 Re-employment of Retired Principals** Source: *http://mlis.state.md.us*
ME	Signed by governor May-00	[Resolve No. 130, (LD 2327)]; Establishes a commission to study teacher recruitment and retention. Title: **H.B. 1658 Commission on Teacher Recruitment/Retention** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2301]; Creates a new certificate authorizing a person to teach in an area determined to be a teacher shortage area. Title: **S.B. 886 Teachers for Shortage Areas** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes project in the Department of Children, Families and Learning to retain new teachers in the profession and to provide models for professional development. A school district with an approved new teacher plan is eligible to receive $3,000 of state money for each new teacher participant. The district must contribute $2,000 for each new teacher participant. An allocation of $1 million is from appropriations for Best Practices Seminars. Title: **H.B. 3800 Minnesota New Teacher Project** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
MO	Signed by governor Jul-99	Establishes Missouri Teacher Corps program to improve student achievement in elementary reading as well as English, foreign languages, remedial reading, science and math. Corps to recruit 50 college seniors or graduates each year for two-year teaching contracts in designated schools. No recruit shall have majored in education, but rather a bachelor's degree in English, foreign language, math, science, social studies or history. Recruits are to be provided with an eight-week training program before entering classroom. Corps teachers are to be compensated as are other teachers. Title: **H.B. 889 Establishment of Missouri Teacher Corps** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Clarifies that licensed teachers serving in geographical critical teacher shortage areas are eligible for scholarships toward master or specialist degrees under the University Assisted Teacher Recruitment and Retention Grant Program. Title: **H.B. 294 Recruitment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Mar-00	Amends the Mississippi Employer-Assisted Housing Teacher Program that provides interest-free loans to licensed teachers in critical teacher shortage areas; extends repealer on that section. Title: **S.B. 2937 Employer-Assisted Housing** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates a 14-member task force that will study teacher salaries and report to the Legislature by October 1. The task force will be directed to examine, among other things, the issue of whether the state should have greater control over Nebraska educational processes and facilities if the state provided substantial funding for teachers' salaries. Also authorizes t he Nebraska Volunteer Services Commission to apply for funding from the Corporation for National Service. The funding will be used by the commission to provide incentives to college graduates to establish their teaching careers in Nebraska and to experienced Nebraska teachers to pursue graduate degrees. Title: **L.B. 1399 Salary Study** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NY	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes the Teachers of Tomorrow Teacher Recruitment and Retention Program; funds programs to recruit teachers in school districts in designated teacher shortage areas; provides for grants to school districts and new teachers. Title: **A.B. 11005 Teachers of Tomorrow** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	States legislative intent that the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education establish a loan repayment program for secondary-level mathematics and science teachers. Provides for loan repayments not to exceed the average cost of resident

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		tuition and fees for a three-year period to teachers who serve as mathematics or science teachers in a secondary-level public school for a minimum of five years. Title: **S.B. 1393 Regents Allowed to Set Maximum Loan Amounts** Source: *Legislative Review, Oklahoma*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Extends the period of time that a retired teacher may act as a substitute teacher to 90 days in a school year. Title: **H.B. 7246, S.B. 2590 Substitute Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Jun-00	Allows retired teachers to resume teaching without loss of benefits under certain conditions. Title: **S.B. 2124 Retired Teachers May Return** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to teachers, principals and school personnel; deletes provisions preventing contract extension for teacher 70 years of age or older. Title: **S.B. 2299 Teachers over 70** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Apr-00	Changes the Diversity in Teaching Program to the Diversity in Teaching Initiative Awards and makes the award program a component of the Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program; focuses on at-risk and disadvantaged students, paraprofessionals and students transferring from the community colleges and private two-year institutions to approved teacher education programs. Title: **S.B. 652 Diversity in Teaching Initiative Awards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Establishes the Virginia Scholarship for Teachers Program and Fund to provide incentive awards to students enrolled in approved teacher education programs at a four-year institution of higher education in the Commonwealth. Title: **H.B. 1408 Scholarship for Teachers Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Revises the provisions of the Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program; allows support through gifts, donations, grants, bequests and other funds; provides for teacher training scholarships to address teacher shortages; provides scholarships for paraprofessional training; encourages teacher diversity; promotes teaching careers for at-risk students. Title: **S.B. 630 Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Permits eligible teachers to be employed and compensated up to 60% rather than 50% of the average teachers' compensation and still receive a full retirement allowance from the system. Also modifies other components of retirement policy. Title: **H.B. 688 Retired Teachers** Source: *http://www.state.vt.us/educ/legupdate.htm*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to a loan program for teachers and orientation and mobility instructors of visually impaired pupils; grants rule-making authority; makes an appropriation. Title: **A.B. 629 Loan Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teacher Tenure		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Provides for the Teacher Accountability Act; provides for performance-based contracts for principals; provides for alternative principal certification procedures; provides hearing procedures to challenge employment action taken against a principal; establishes linkage with the Teachers'National Average Salary Bill;

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		relates to the Teacher Tenure Law; provides for the appeal of transfers of teachers; adds failure to perform duties to grounds for termination., Title: **H.B. 285 Teacher and Principal Performance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Enacts the A Plus Education Reform Act of 2000. A portion of this act abolishes tenure: All contracts must be in writing. Any teacher or other certificated professional employee may be notified that his/her contract will not be renewed. The notice must be given by April 15 of the current school year. No reason must be given, but the employee can ask for one, and it must be provided. There is no right to a hearing. Teachers currently teaching in Georgia are not affected. Teachers hired on or after July 1, 2000, "shall not acquire any rights . . . to continued employment with respect to any position as a teacher." Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill -Tenure Component** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Revises the time limits for a school board of trustees to give notice to the certificated employees on renewable contract status from May 25 to May 15; revises the response to the board by the employee on acceptance of a renewable contract for the next ensuing school year from June 15 to June 1, unless an earlier time has been set by the board. Title: **S.B. 1449 Notice of Non-renewal** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires school districts to develop support programs for use by teachers on annual contract with the district; requires district support programs to be approved by the State Department of Education; provides three categories of annual contracts; provides districts with additional hiring options for teachers who have attained renewable contract status in other districts. Title: **S.B. 1372 Annual Contracts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OR	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[MEASURE 95]; Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution regarding performance pay for teachers; provides that student learning determines teacher pay; establishes that the teachers' qualifications, not seniority, determine retention. Title: **V. 19; (NEW BILL) Performance Pay, Seniority** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Amends the teacher grievance procedure to require that members of the three-person fact-finding panel have no prior involvement with the matter grieved; requires panel members to refrain from obtaining any information or evidence about the grievance other than that which is presented at the hearing before the fact-finding panel. Title: **H.B. 650 Grievance Procedures** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Teachers		
GA	Signed by governor Apr-00	[Act No. 688]; Creates a program of indemnification with respect to public school personnel who are killed or permanently disabled by an act of violence in the line of duty; provides for a special and distinctive license plate honoring Georgia educators with revenues derived from the sale of such plates dedicated to a fund for such program of indemnification. Title: **H.B. 1388, H.R. 971 Program of Indemnification** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to warrants for arrest; provides that any warrant for the arrest of a teacher or school administrator for any offense alleged to have been committed while in the performance of his or her duties may be issued only by a judge of a superior

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		court, a judge of a state court or a judge of a probate court. Title: **S.B. 27 Arrest of School Personnel** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates duty-free lunches for teachers and no longer dependent on funding from the General Assembly. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Teachers and Duty-Free Lunches** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to school violence; provides civil criminal immunity for a school employee; relates to the employee's participation in reporting and investigating violence, threats of violence or other inappropriate activity against a school employee or student in a school building, on school grounds or at a school-sponsored function. Title: **H.B. 2473 Immunity for School Employees** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes General Education Diploma as a minimum eligibility requirement for assistant teachers. Title: **H.B. 106 Qualifications of Assistant Teachers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Defines long-term substitute teachers; requires certain reporting on the use of long-term substitute teachers. Title: **S.B. 172 Long-Term Substitutes** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Allows noncitizens to be employed at public schools and colleges in Tennessee. Title: **S.B. 2939 Employment of Noncitizens** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar 00	H.B. 189 allocates $225 for each teacher in grades kindergarten through 6, and up to $175 for each teacher in grades seven through 12. Teachers may spend the money for school supplies, materials or field trips. S.B. 3 appropriates $4.4 million for teacher supplies. Title: **S.B. 3 and H.B. 189 Funds for Teacher Supplies and Materials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires local school boards to ensure that elementary school teachers in their employment have at least three hours during the students' school week for planning time. Title: **H.B. 1517 Planning Time** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Directs school divisions to notify by May 15 those teachers who may be subject to a reduction in force due to a decrease in the school board's budget as approved by the appropriating body. Title: **H.B. 605 Reduction in Force** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Protects teachers from being charged criminally when they act reasonably in dealing with disruptive students. Acknowledges a common-law defense that teachers may use reasonable force in dealing with disruptive students. Title: **A.B. 100 School Personnel Liability** Source: *NCREL Policy LINCletter Spring II 2000*
Technology		
AL	Signed by	Creates the Office of Information Technology as a department of the executive

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	governor May-00	branch of government; provides for the administration of such programs and services as may be necessary for the operation and management of a program specifically providing the children of Alabama citizens with technology in the public schools and public institutions of higher eduction. Title: **S.B. 358 Office of Information Technology** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Mar-00	Concerns the role of higher education in the development of technology; encourages higher education institutions and systems to participate in the development of information technology education, innovation and commerce; intends that the educational program delivery include both traditional and distance learning based on the most modern technologies, including video, on-line, and cd-roms and using the Internet, satellites and other forms of communications systems. Title: **S.B. 183 Technology in Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides that the Department of Education shall establish a competitive grant program for high school projects that involve one or more of the following topics: computers, engineering, physics, mathematics, science or technical construction; allows local and regional boards of education to apply on behalf of a high school under their jurisdiction. Title: **H.B. 5231 High School Grant Program for Math, Science and Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes a method for determining the amount of money saved by a school corporation as the result of universal service discounts under the federal Telecommunications Act of 1966; delays the deadline for the initial filing of school corporation reports concerning technology expenditures; delays the deadline for the initial compilation of the school corporation reports. Title: **S.B. 393 Savings from Telecommunications Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a new categorical aid to fund telecommunication access for two years: FY 2001 and FY 2002. Requires the commissioner of Children, Families and Learning, in cooperation with the commissioner of administration an d the Minnesota education telecommunication council, to recommend to the legislature a permanent method to fund telecommunication access as part of the general education revenue formula by February 1, 2002. Title: **H.B. 3800 Telecommunications Access Funding** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
NE	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission; changes provisions relating to powers and duties; repeals the original section; declares an emergency. Title: **L.B. 1328 Educational Telecommunications Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Revises Standards of Quality to make educational technology squarely within the scope of the Standards of Quality; requires the Board of Education to include proficiency in the use of computers and related technology in the Standards of Learning. Title: **H.B. 203 Technology Standards** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Access/Equity		
SC	To governor Jun-00	Requires the governing boards of certain libraries, including public school or higher education institution libraries that have computers which can access the

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		Internet and are available for use by the public or students, or both, to develop use policies intended to reduce the ability of the user to access Web sites displaying pornography. Title: **H.B. 4426 Internet Blocks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits school divisions to donate obsolete hardware and software to be replaced pursuant to the technology replacement program to indigent public school students as provided in guidelines to be promulgated by the Board of Education; requires the guidelines to include criteria for determining student eligibility and need; a reporting system for the compilation of information concerning the characteristics of recipient students; and notification of parents. Title: **H.B. 805 Computers to Indigent Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Finance		
CA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes the Education Technology Grant Program to provide one time grants to school districts and charter schools to acquire or lease computers for instructional purposes. Requires the Office of the Secretary for Education to administer the application process for the award of grants. Title: **A.B. 2882 Computer Grant Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Jun-00	Concerns the creation of the Advanced Technology Fund for use by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education. Title: **H.B. 1430 Creation of Advanced Technology Fund for Postsecondary Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns an income tax credit for monetary contributions to the Colorado Institute for Telecommunication Education. Title: **H.B. 1052 Tax Credits for Contributions** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns high technology scholarships; establishes the Colorado High Technology Scholarship Program; creates a credit against state income tax for monetary contributions made to fund high technology scholarships awarded through the program. Title: **H.B. 1355 Creation of Colorado High Technology Scholarships** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jul-00	Establishes a technology block grant to be administered by the Delaware Center for Educational Technology and the Department of Education; bond funds to provide computer access to all students in Delaware shall be maintained by a combination of state support and local district support; provides a continuous source of funding to maintain and replace computer and related technology in the schools. Title: **S.B. 412 Technology Grant Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes a method for determining the amount of money saved by a school corporation as the result of universal service discounts under the federal Telecommunications Act of 1966; delays the deadline for the initial filing of school corporation reports concerning technology expenditures; delays the deadline for the initial compilation of the school corporation reports. Title: **S.E. 393 Savings from Telecommunications Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by	Establishes a new categorical aid to fund telecommunication access for two years:

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	governor May-00	FY 2001 and FY 2002. Requires the commissioner of Children, Families and Learning, in cooperation with the commissioner of administration and the Minnesota education telecommunication council, to recommend to the legislature a permanent method to fund telecommunication access as part of the general education revenue formula by February 1, 2002. Title: **H.B. 3800 Telecommunications Access Funding** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
NM	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the Educational Technology Fund distribution; provides an equity adjustment to assure minimum distributions to school districts from the Educational Technology Fund. Title: **S.B. 214 Technology Equity** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Infrastructure		
CO	Signed by governor Mar-00	Concerns the role of higher education in the development of technology; encourages higher education institutions and systems to participate in the development of information technology education, innovation, and commerce; intends that the educational program delivery include both traditional and distance learning based on the most modern technologies, including video, on-line, and cd-roms and using the Internet, satellites and other forms of communications systems. Title: **S.B. 183 Technology in Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
HI	Vetoed Jun-00	Establishes a renewable energy demonstration project in the Department of Education that involves the installation of photovoltaic systems and energy storage devices in one public school in each school district; appropriates funds; requires a progress and final report to the legislature. Title: **H.B. 2701 Renewable Energy in Public Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Relates to entities authorized to utilize the services of the Kentucky Information Highway, to grant access and use, on the same terms as state agencies, by any entity that has been approved for economic development incentives under programs approved and administered by the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority and by nonprofit organizations whose primary purpose is the delivery of services related to education, economic development, or cultural arts and humanities. Title: **H.B. 901 Kentucky Information Highway** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MN	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a new categorical aid to fund telecommunication access for two years: FY 2001 and FY 2002. Requires the commissioner of Children, Families and Learning, in cooperation with the commissioner of administration and the Minnesota education telecommunication council, to recommend to the legislature a permanent method to fund telecommunication access as part of the general education revenue formula by February 1, 2002. Title: **H.B. 3800 Telecommunications Access Funding** Source: *Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning*
OH	Signed by governor May 99	Specifies that schools may furnish computer software, CD-ROMs, computer courseware, and online services to students in lieu of textbooks, though these must be free of charge to students. Such "electronic textbooks" offered to students must likewise be made available to teachers, and must be chosen and maintained in the same manner as textbooks, with exception that electronic textbooks may be updated more often than once every four years. Title: **1999 H.B. 32 Electronic Textbooks**

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		Source: *Ohio Legislative Service Commission*
SC	To governor Jun-00	Requires the governing boards of certain libraries, including public school or higher education institution libraries that have computers which can access the Internet and are available for use by the public or students, or both, to develop use policies intended to reduce the ability of the user to access Web sites displaying pornography. Title: **H.B. 4426 Internet Blocks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Permits school divisions to donate obsolete hardware and software to be replaced pursuant to the technology replacement program to indigent public school students as provided in guidelines to be promulgated by the Board of Education; requires the guidelines to include criteria for determining student eligibility and need; a reporting system for the compilation of information concerning the characteristics of recipient students; and notification of parents. Title: **H.B. 805 Computers to Indigent Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Instruction		
ME	Signed by governor Apr-00	[LD 2519]; Increases access to the State's Technical College System; provides funding to add additional students systemwide; addresses the State Technical College System's need to provide students with the ability to take courses and do research over the Internet. Title: **S.B. 973 Access to State Technical College System** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Feb-00	Permits aid to nonpublic schools for electronic textbooks; defines electronic textbooks as including computer software, computer-assisted instruction, interactive videodisks, and other computer courseware and magnetic media. Title: **A.B. 1762 Electronic Textbooks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Relates to curriculum; permits the display of televised commercial advertising necessarily incidental to Internet access. Title: **H.B. 6893 Commercial Advertising on Computers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Addresses information technology literacy at baccalaureate institutions of higher learning. Title: **H.B. 2375 Technology Literacy** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Policies and Plans		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Creates the Office of Information Technology as a department of the executive branch of government; provides for the administration of such programs and services as may be necessary for the operation and management of a program specifically providing the children of Alabama citizens with technology in the public schools and public institutions of higher eduction. Title: **S.B. 358 Office of Information Technology** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor Mar-00	Concerns the role of higher education in the development of technology; encourages higher education institutions and systems to participate in the development of information technology education, innovation, and commerce; intends that the educational program deli very include both traditional and distance learning based on the most modern technologies, including video, on-line, and cd-roms and using the Internet, satellites and other forms of communications systems.

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		Title: **S.B. 183 Technology in Higher Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
GA	Signed by governor May-00	[Act No. 856]; Provides that any person or agency required to submit to the director of the University of Georgia Libraries copies of documents also shall submit such documents in electronic form if available. Title: **H.B. 1358 Electronic Documents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Signed by governor Mar-00	Enhances learning in public schools; reimburses nationally certified teachers; establishes an Office of Education Technology; studies the public education requirement workforce; increases the voting requirement for school district referenda; limits certain transfers of school funds. Title: **H.B. 1257 Technology Office, Referenda, Finance** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Technology – Teacher/Faculty Training		
GA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Mandates that holders of a renewable certificate must pass a computer skills competency test before they can receive certification renewal. Successful completion of the phase one InTech model training at a state educational technology training center or a State Board of Education approved redelivery team shall be acceptable for certificate renewal purposes. Title: **H.B. 1187 Omnibus Bill - Technology Training for Teachers** Source: *Georgia Department of Education*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Requires the institutes established by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia currently providing in-service training in the effective use of educational technology for teachers, administrators and librarians in the elementary and secondary schools to provide the same training to such personnel of equivalent adult education and literacy programs. Title: **S.B. 460 Faculty Training/Technology** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for in-service training in the effective use of educational technology for adult education and literacy program professionals. The training is to be delivered at institutes established by the State Council of Higher Education for providing in-service training in educational technology for public school teachers, administrators and librarians. Title: **H.B. 936 Technology Training for Adult Education Providers** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Textbooks		
FL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to instructional materials requirements and school boards; prescribes the duty of school boards to provide instructional materials; eliminates requirements for providing weighted and unweighted aggregations; changes reference to education commissioner regarding certain duties in selecting and adopting instructional materials; eliminates condition for rejecting bids; eliminates optional escalator clause in certain contracts. Title: **S.B. 850 Boards To Provide Instructional Materials** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Apr-00	Requires the six groups for instructional textbooks and programs be arranged by content if possible for all K-12 subject areas; requires the State Textbook Commission to provide a recommended list of textbooks and materials with a consumer guide; provides for textbook and program review standards and reviewer compensation; permits public inspection of textbooks and programs under consideration; requires a public hearing; includes programs and materials for the visually impaired.

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		Title: **S.B. 91 Textbooks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Feb-00	Permits aid to nonpublic schools for electronic textbooks; defines electronic textbooks as including computer software, computer-assisted instruction, interactive videodisks, and other computer courseware and magnetic media. Title: **A.B. 1762 Electronic Textbooks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor May 99	Specifies that schools may furnish computer software, CD-ROMs, computer courseware and online services to students in lieu of textbooks, though these must be free of charge to students. Such "electronic textbooks" offered to students must likewise be made available to teachers, and must be chosen and maintained in the same manner as textbooks, with exception that electronic textbooks may be updated more often than once every four years. Title: **1999 H.B. 32 Electronic Textbooks** Source: *Ohio Legislative Service Commission*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Provides that the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education shall publish annually a list of textbooks in use in the public schools in the state. Title: **H.B. 7220 Annual List of Textbooks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Signed by governor Jul-00	Expands the list of textbooks to be loaned to students in grades K-8; creates a Textbook Reimbursement Fund; creates a joint commission to study the State Textbook Loan Program. Title: **S.B. 2726 Textbooks** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor Feb-00	[Joint Resolution]; Approves regulations of the Board of Education; relates to textbook adoption regulation. Title: **S.B. 862 Textbook Adoption** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides one-time appropriation of $6 million to purchase textbooks. Title: **S.B. 3 Textbook Funding** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Transfer/Articulation		
MD	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the Community College Transfer Scholarship Program and provides for the award of scholarships under the program; establishes qualifications and requirements for the receipt and retention of an award under the program; requires the State Scholarship Administration to send a list of scholarship recipients to members of the General Assembly; provides for the funding of the scholarship program; requires repayment upon graduation. Title: **H.B. 476 Community College Transfer Scholarship Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
TN	Signed by governor May-00	Requires Tennessee Higher Education Commission to develop and enforce policies for transfer of credits among various institutions of higher education and structuring of courses at such institutions to facilitate this. Title: **H.B. 2318 Transfer of Credits** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Requires notification to parents of school courses leading to college credit; requires that each high school shall publish annually and deliver to each parent with children enrolled in school, information concerning the entrance requirements and the availability in school of programs leading to college credit, such as Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs.

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		Title: **S.B. 6559 Notification to Parents** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Transportation		
AL	Signed by governor May-00	Requires that all new school buses be equipped with crossing control arms; requires a new or increased expenditure of local funds. Title: **H.B. 701 School Bus Safety Features** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires that a flashing white strobe light be placed on the roof of every school bus to enhance the conspicuous of school buses in daylight, darkness and bad weather. Title: **H.B. 442 School Bus Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns school districts; relates to the provision of transportation for pupils. The bill outlines what students can qualify for transportation to and from school. It also states that one district may charge another to transport a student in their district. Title: **H.B. 2862 Rules for Transportation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the Department of Education to promote strategies to assist school districts in providing a safe transportation system; directs the Department of Education to report on its effect to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by January 1, 2001. Title: **H.J.R. 101 Safe Transportation Systems** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Establishes a grant program under which law enforcement agencies may apply for funds for efforts relating to enforcement of the law prohibiting passing stopped school vehicles; establishes a School Bus Safety Enforcement Fund; provides for the administration, composition and use of the fund; prescribes a revenue source for the fund; specifies certain budgetary procedures. Title: **H.B. 104 School Bus Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Makes certain adjustments to the formula for transportation grants to county boards of education; adjusts the time period for calculating increases in the grant amounts. Title: **S.B. 106 Formula for Transportation Grants** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides transportation or in-lieu-of payments to certain nonpublic school pupils in certain school districts. Permits the purchase of such services from cooperative transportation service agencies. Title: **A.B. 1337, AB 1674 Transportation of Certain Nonpublic School Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Extends the period for a judge to issue a summons for illegally passing a school bus and certain other motor vehicle and traffic violations. Title: **A.B. 622 Illegally Passing School Buses** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Gives peace officers the authority to issue summons based on the statements of school bus drivers and bus monitors as to violations of the requirement to stop for school buses. Title: **H.B. 7380 School Bus Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*

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RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	Requires all school buses to be equipped with a rear facing flashing strobe light; provides for the conditions under which such lights should be used. Title: **H.B. 7163 Bus Equipment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jun-00	Prohibits and would make it a misdemeanor for any person who enters a school bus with the intent to commit a crime, interfere with the driver or refuse to disembark at the request of the driver. Title: **H.B. 6858 Transportation Safety** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SC	Signed by governor May-00	Provides that public and private schools must transport 10 or more students in school or activity bus; provides that vehicles purchased before a certain date have a grace period during which they must comply with this provision; provides that during the grace period a non-complying vehicle must display a decal that states the vehicle does not meet the safety requirements of a school bus. Title: **H.B. 3300 Bus Transportation Required for 10 or More Students** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VT	Signed by governor May-00	Makes a social host who furnishes intoxicating liquor to a minor liable under the Dram Shop Act for damages and injuries caused by the intoxicated minor; changes illegal blood alcohol concentration to .02 for a school bus operator. Title: **H.B. 566 Liability for Alcohol Consumption; Bus Driver Intoxication** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Tuition/Fees		
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	Amends the Prepaid Tuition Act and the Probate Act of 1975; provides that the Section exempting the assets and income of the Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund from taxation under the Income Tax Act is exempt from the sunset provisions of that act; provides that a prepaid tuition contract shall be considered an investment for the purpose of investing a ward's money under the Probat e Act of 1975; effective immediately. Title: **S.B. 1537 Prepaid Tuition Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act No. 91-747]; Relates to the Higher Education Student Assistance Act; increases the maximum Monetary Award Program grant for full-time undergraduate students to $4,740 and for part-time undergraduate students to $2,370; effective July 1, 2000. Title: **S.B. 1538 Increase Higher Education Grant** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Alters the formula that determines the out-of-state fee and the out-of-county or out-of-region fee charges to nonresident students who attend specified community colleges; provides for a specified waiver of specified fees. Title: **H.B. 192 Formula for Nonresident Tuition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Grants in-state tuition rates and subsidies at certain public institutions of higher education to residents of contiguous states who are employed in Ohio and whose employers contract to pay their tuition and fees. Title: **S.B. 53 In-State Tuition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Vetoed Mar-00	Authorizes the Board of Regents to create a tuition-waiver for children of nonresident alumni. Title: **H.B. 1244 Tuition Waivers**

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		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Revises the provision authorizing school boards to admit nonresident students and charge such students tuition, to provide that persons of school age who reside in a state or the District of Columbia which grants the same privileges to residents of the Commonwealth may be admitted and so charged. Title: **S.B. 499 K-12 Nonresident Tuition** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WI	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to auditing the University of Wisconsin System and technical college system courses by persons who are 60 years of age or older; provides an exemption to fees if space is available and the instructor approves. Title: **A.B. 432 Fee Waivers for Persons Over 60** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Provides for higher education tuition waivers for high school graduates in foster care. Title: **H.B. 4784 Tuition Wavers for Students in Foster Care** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Tuition/Fees – Prepaid/College Savings Plan		
AK	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to tuition; establishes a college tuition savings plan. Title: **S.B. 186 College Tuition Savings Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the educational savings plan trust; provides an effective date. Title: **H.B. 2550 Educational Savings Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
ID	Signed by governor Apr-00	Establishes the College Savings Program and Board; provides the powers and duties of the board. Title: **H.B. 627 College Savings Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IL	Signed by governor Dec-99	Amends the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Act and the Public Funds Investment Act; provides that the Public Funds Investment Act does not apply to the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund; provides that a person who is less than one year of age must have a parent or legal guardian who has been an Illinois resident for at least 12 months before the date of the contract (instead of a relative who is an Illinois resident) in order to be a qualified beneficiary. Title: **S.B. 464 Prepaid Tuition Funds** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IN	Signed by governor Mar-00	Defines the Save Indiana Program; makes conforming changes; extends the expiration date of a noncode provision that requires the Treasurer of State, Board for Depositories, Commission for Higher Education and State Student Assistance Commission to provide certain administrative and financial support to the Indiana Education Savings Authority. Title: **S.B. 373 Save Indiana Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KS	Signed by governor Mar-00	Concerns the Kansas postsecondary education savings program. Title: **H.B. 2655 Postsecondary Education Savings Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to education finance; deletes endowment trust held by the Kentucky Educational Savings Plan Trust; deletes definition of endowment trust; delegates particular functions to the program administrator; deletes that a beneficiary must be under 15 when account is opened; deletes that payment of benefits must begin once

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		the beneficiary reaches 18; clarifies that earnings in trust not used for qualified educational expenses are not exempt from state taxation. Title: **H.B. 462 Kentucky Education Savings Plan Trust** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Creates the Commonwealth Postsecondary Education Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund to be governed by a board of directors and administered by a division in the Office of the State Treasurer; establishes membership and duties regarding the prepaid tuition program; identifies use of prepaid tuition; defines processes for termination of prepaid tuition contracts and refunds; makes appropriation. Title: **H.B. 180 Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
LA	Signed by governor Jun-00	Makes deposits to the START Tuition Savings Program exempt from state income tax and provides for direct deposit of state income tax refunds. Title: **S.B. 81 Tax-Free Deposits** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MD	Signed by governor May-00	Changes the name of the Maryland Higher Education Investment Program to the Maryland Prepaid College Trust; authorizes the Maryland Higher Education Investment Board to provide for rebates to owners of prepaid contracts; requires the board to allow the transfer of funds from state tuition programs to other state tuition programs; requires the governor to include funds for the Maryland Prepaid College Trust in the annual budget. Title: **H.B. 11 and S. B. 140 Maryland Prepaid College Trust** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides for income tax deductions for tax-deferred education savings account contributions. Title: **H.B. 5654 Education Savings Accounts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Relates to income tax; establishes tax-deferred education savings account. Title: **S.B. 599 Education Savings Accounts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Public Act 162]; Provides for income tax deductions for contributions to the State Education Savings Account Program. Title: **H.B. 5653 Tax Deductions for College Savings Accounts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates Affordable College Savings Program; reconstitutes tuition board; authorizes board to manage the state Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Program and the state Affordable College Savings Program. Title: **S.B. 2298 Affordable College Savings Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NE	Signed by governor Apr-00	Creates an educational savings plan for Nebraskans who want to save for their child's college education. The program will accept and invest contributions from participants to pay for future education costs for designated beneficiaries. The minimum annual contribution per beneficiary will be $300. The maximum annual contribution allowed under current Internal Revenue Service rules will be approximately $50,000. Title: **L.B. 1003 Education Savings Plan** Source: *http://www.unicam.state.ne.us/update/2000review_articles/Education.htm*
OH	Signed by governor	Authorizes the Ohio Tuition Trust Authority to establish a variable college savings program.

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	Mar-00	Title: **S.B. 161 College Savings Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
PA	Signed by governor Jun-00	[Act No. of 2000], Amends the Tuition Account Program and College Savings Bond Act. Expands the scope of the act. Further provides for tuition account programs. Establishes scholarship programs. Title: **S.B. 8 Amends College Savings Bond Act** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
SD	Vetoed Mar-00	Creates the South Dakota education savings plan. Title: **H.B. 1057 Education Savings Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
UT	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to higher education; increases the age designation for beneficiaries designated in participation agreements from birth to age 16 to birth to age 18 as a tax incentive. Title: **H.B. 225 College Savings Plans** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Changes the name of the Higher Education Tuition Trust Fund to the College Savings Plan; removes contributors to a savings trust account within the plan who are over a specified age from requirement that deductions for such contributions not exceed a specified amount; broadens the definitions of the fiduciary adjustment to include the state income tax deduction permitted for purchases of prepaid tuition contracts and contributions to savings trust accounts within the plan. Title: **H.B. 438 College Savings Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
VA	Signed by governor Feb-00	Relates to college tuition savings initiatives; changes the name of the Virginia Higher Education Tuition Trust Fund to the Virginia College Savings Plan, removes contributors to a savings trust account within the plan who are age 70 and over from the requirement that deductions for such contributions not exceed a specified amount. Title: **S.B. 359 Virginia College Savings Plan** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WV	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the prepaid tuition contract; authorizes a reduction in federal adjusted gross income for purposes of the West Virginia personal income tax; extends the modification for payments made for other college savings plans administered by the Board of Trustees of the Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund. Title: **H.B. 4679 Modifies the Prepaid Tuition Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Relates to the family college savings program; modifies the program; establishes a trust; specifies the trustee; modifies duties of the Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments and the State Treasurer; grants rulemaking authority; clarifies program provisions. Title: **S.B. 70 Family College Savings Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Uniforms/Dress Codes		
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Deletes certain provisions relating to school dress code and states school boards have the option of adopting a dress code, which includes school uniforms. Title: **H.B. 2728 Omnibus Bill - School Uniforms** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
UT	Signed by governor	Relates to public schools; requires an election for the adoption of a school or school district uniform policy; clarifies voting requirements; provides the school

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	Mar-00	uniform policies include an exemption provision. Title: **H.B. 155 School Uniform Policies** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Unions/Collective Bargaining		
CA	Signed by governor Oct-99	[Chapter No. 952]; Relates to existing law which contains provisions relating to employer-employee relations between the State of California and the employees of state institutions of higher education, which provide that these employees have the right to form, join and participate in the a ctivities of employee organizations for the purpose of representation on all matters of labor relations; employees other than faculty are eligible for membership in the Academic Senate. Title: **S.B. 645 Employee Organizations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CA	Vetoed Oct-99	Expands the definition of "public school employer" or "employer" to include joint powers agencies created as an entity separate from the parties to the joint powers agreement with separate employees that meet certain additional criteria. Requires those newly created joint powers agencies to engage in collective bargaining with their separate employees. Title: **A.B. 91 Collective Bargaining** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CT	Signed by governor May-00	Allows local and regional boards of education and unions to agree to wage payment schedules that differ from the statutory requirement that all wages be fully paid within eight days of the end of the preceding pay period. Title: **H.B. 5157 Wage Payment Schedules** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
RI	Became law without governor's signature Jul-00	[Joint Resolution]; Extends the reporting date of the special legislative commission to study the feasibility of allowing unionized classified employees at all higher education institutions to be able to negotiate directly with Rhode Island Board of Governors. Title: **H.B. 6968 Special Legislative Commission** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Excludes exempt positions from bargaining units of employees of institutions of higher education. Title: **H.B. 2722 Higher Education Collective Bargaining** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Urban		
NY	Vetoed Jul-00	Provides that certain city school districts shall be eligible for special service aid and computer administration aid not otherwise available to small city school districts. Title: **A.B. 5795 Special Aid for Certain Small City Districts** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Vocational Education		
AK	Signed by governor Jun-00	States that it is the intent of the legislature that the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council undergo an internal reassessment and reorganization to minimize the number of members of the council and to improve its ability to efficiently and effectively serve as the state's primary planning and coordinating entity for vocational and technical education. Title: **S.B. 289 Revising Vocational Education Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AL	Signed by	Relates to viability and non-viability of programs of instruction as reviewed by the

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	governor May-00	Alabama Commission on Higher Education; provides that students completing certain programs of instruction in two-year technical and vocational colleges shall be deemed graduates for the purposes of determining viability standards of the program. Title: **S.B. 356 Students at Two-Year Institutions Deemed Graduates** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
AZ	Vetoed Apr-00	Appropriates an unspecified amount of money to the Department of Education to fund a vocational technical education demonstration project in an existing structure; appropriates money from the general fund in fiscal year 2000-01 for one-time capital funding. Title: **H.B. 2285 Vocational-Technical Education Pilot** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
DE	Signed by governor Jun-00	Requires that a certain percentage of the Occupational-Vocational Division II - All Other Costs funds shall be allocated to the school that generates these funds and expended to support the state-approved occupational-vocational courses and programs at that school. Title: **S.B. 385 State Payments for Vocational Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
IA	Signed by governor May-00	Relates to the accelerated career education program; provides a tax credit from withholding; creates an accelerated career education grant program and fund; relates to the transfer of job training withholding to the workforce development fund account; provides an effective date. Title: **S.B. 2439 Accelerated Career Education Program** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
KY	Signed by governor Mar-00	Establishes the Governor's Council on Vocational Education; estab lishes the Kentucky Job Training Coordinating Council; replaces the Kentucky Job Training Coordinating Council with the Office of Training and Reemployment within the Cabinet for Workforce Development. Title: **H.B. 610 Governor's Council on Vocational Educ ation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MI	Signed by governor Jun-00	Provides a wider variety of options to high school pupils by encouraging and enabling students to enroll in career and technical preparation programs at eligible nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions. Provides for dual enrollment options for career and technical preparation programs; establishes these programs for certain students in state schools; prescribes certain duties of public schools and certain postsecondary institutions; prescribes certain powers and duties of certain state departments, officials and agencies; repeals acts and parts of acts. Title: **H.B. 5534 Dual Enrollment** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
MS	Vetoed Apr-00	Authorizes local school boards to establish a vocational and technical education track as an alternative to college preparatory curriculum; provides that vocational students complete core educational requirements. Title: **H.B. 1409 Vocational/Technical Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Fulfills the requirement of having the approval of the state legislature in order to include certain secondary vocational education programs in the State's Unified Vocational Education Plan by authorizing the inclusion of the relevant secondary vocational education programs in the state's unified plan; specifies certain membership changes on the local workforce investment boards. Title: **S.B. 431 Modifies Vocational Education Plan**

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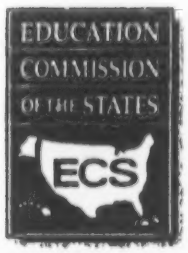
		Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NH	Signed by governor Jun-00	Establishes requirements for state funding of renovation and expansion of regional vocational education programs. Title: **H.B. 413 State Funding of Vocational Program Expansions/Renovation** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NJ	Signed by governor Jun-00	Exempts minors from child labor laws by authorizing them to participate in education programs in science sponsored by private sector. Title: **S.B. 987 Student Involvement in Private Sector** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
NM	Signed by governor Feb-00	Provides for vocational education in public schools. Title: **S.B. 390 Vocational Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor Jun-00	Sets budget limits for the Oklahoma Board for Private Vocational Schools (salary of director, number of staff, etc.) and requires evaluation. Title: **S.B. 928 Board for Private Vocational Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
OK	Signed by governor May-00	Changes the official name of the board known as the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education to the State Board of Career and Technology Education, and changes the name of the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education to the State Department of Career and Technology Education. Title: **H.B. 2128 Title Changes** Source: *2000 Legislative Summary, Oklahoma*
WA	Signed by governor Mar-00	Directs the superintendent of public instruction to maintain support for statewide coordination for career and technical student organizations by providing program staff support that is available to assist in meeting the needs of career and technical student organizations and their members and students. Title: **H.B. 2531 Support for Career/Technical Student Organizations** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
Vouchers		
CA	On 11/07/2000 ballot	[INITIATIVE 844]; Authorizes state-funded $4,000-per-pupil annual payments to qualifying private and religious schools as grants for new enrollees, and partial grants for children enrolled in private schools before the measure's approval. Permits legislature to increase amounts annually. Repeals voter-approved constitutional funding priority of public schools. Limits minimum state funding guarantees for public schools to years when specified conditions occur. Title: **V. 25 Voucher Program for Private Schools** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*
CO	Signed by governor May-00	Concerns an income tax credit for monetary contributions to the Colorado Institute for Telecommunication Education. Title: **H.B. 1052 Tax Credit for Colorado Institute for Telecommunication Education** Source: *Lexis-Nexis/StateNet*



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